

STATEMENTS AND REPORTS
IN POSSESSION OF THE
US SECRET SERVICE
BOOK 2

Dallas Police Department - Document # 14-2

Folder #2 - Investigation of the Operational
Security involving the transfer of
Lee Harvey Oswald 11-24-63

Nationality (国籍)	American
Date of Birth (生年月日)	18 October 1939
Identity Card No. (身分証明書番号)	00646
Date of Issuance (発行日)	8 May 1958
Signature of Issuing Officer (発行官署名)	Adjutant

SOCIAL SECURITY	
ACCOUNT NUMBER	433-54-3937
NAME (氏名)	
LEE HARVEY OSWALD	
SEX (性別)	
FOR SOCIAL SECURITY AND THE PROGRESS OF THE NATION	



PHOTOS OF CONTENTS
OF BILL FOLD OF
LEE HARVEY OSWALD

11/24/60

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM NOTICE OF CLASSIFICATION		Approval not required
Lee	Harvey	OSWALD
Selective Service No. 111 111 39 532 has		
been classified in Class IV-A (Until 19.....) by Local Board Appeal Board		
by vote of 10 to 0 (Chairman or member of board)		
FEB 2 1960		
<p>The law requires you, subject to heavy penalty for failure, to carry this notice, in addition to your Registration Certificate, on your person at all times--to exhibit it upon request to authorized officials--to surrender it to your commanding officer upon entering the armed forces.</p> <p>The law requires you to notify your local board in writing (1) of every change in your address, physical condition, and occupational, marital, family, dependency, and military status, and (2) of any other fact which might change your classification.</p> <p>FOR ADVICE, SEE YOUR GOVERNMENT-APPEAL AGENT</p>		

COLOR OF EYES Blue COLOR OF HAIR Brn.
 COMPLEXION Med.
 HEIGHT 5 FT. 11 IN. WEIGHT 150

TEXAS LOCAL BOARD NO. 114
SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM
RM 2227, 300 W. VICKERY ST.
FORT WORTH 4, TEXAS

LOCAL BOARD STAFF

THE LAW REQUIRES YOU TO HAVE THIS CERTIFICATE IN YOUR PERSONAL POSSESSION
AT ALL TIMES FOR IDENTIFICATION AND TO NOTIFY YOUR LOCAL BOARD OF ANY
CHANGE OF ADDRESS. GPO: 1964-O-381682

THE FOLLOWING ARE JUST A FEW THING OFFERED VIA

Cherry House	Gift Shop	Ready Dine Room	Washing Service
Hot Facilities	Hot Tubs	Barber Shop	Army Post Office
Call Room	Guide Service	Room Service	Phone Booths
Swimming	Floor Show	Clothing & Dressing	Check Room
Two Buses	Cash Room	Reception Room	Information
U.S. Police St.	Exit Staircase		Post Office


Year	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	2050	2051	2052	2053	2054	2055	2056	2057	2058	2059	2060	2061	2062	2063	2064	2065	2066	2067	2068	2069	2070	2071	2072	2073	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	2079	2080	2081	2082	2083	2084	2085	2086	2087	2088	2089	2090	2091	2092	2093	2094	2095	2096	2097	2098	2099	2100	2101	2102	2103	2104	2105	2106	2107	2108	2109	2110	2111	2112	2113	2114	2115	2116	2117	2118	2119	2120	2121	2122	2123	2124	2125	2126	2127	2128	2129	2130	2131	2132	2133	2134	2135	2136	2137	2138	2139	2140	2141	2142	2143	2144	2145	2146	2147	2148	2149	2150	2151	2152	2153	2154	2155	2156	2157	2158	2159	2160	2161	2162	2163	2164	2165	2166	2167	2168	2169	2170	2171	2172	2173	2174	2175	2176	2177	2178	2179	2180	2181	2182	2183	2184	2185	2186	2187	2188	2189	2190	2191	2192	2193	2194	2195	2196	2197	2198	2199	2200	2201	2202	2203	2204	2205	2206	2207	2208	2209	2210	2211	2212	2213	2214	2215	2216	2217	2218	2219	2220	2221	2222	2223	2224	2225	2226	2227	2228	2229	2230	2231	2232	2233	2234	2235	2236	2237	2238	2239	2240	2241	2242	2243	2244	2245	2246	2247	2248	2249	2250	2251	2252	2253	2254	2255	2256	2257	2258	2259	2260	2261	2262	2263	2264	2265	2266	2267	2268	2269	2270	2271	2272	2273	2274	2275	2276	2277	2278	2279	2280	2281	2282	2283	2284	2285	2286	2287	2288	2289	2290	2291	2292	2293	2294	2295	2296	2297	2298	2299	2300	2301	2302	2303	2304	2305	2306	2307	2308	2309	2310	2311	2312	2313	2314	2315	2316	2317	2318	2319	2320	2321	2322	2323	2324	2325	2326	2327	2328	2329	2330	2331	2332	2333	2334	2335	2336	2337	2338	2339	2340	2341	2342	2343	2344	2345	2346	2347	2348	2349	2350	2351	2352	2353	2354	2355	2356	2357	2358	2359	2360	2361	2362	2363	2364	2365	2366	2367	2368	2369	2370	2371	2372	2373	2374	2375	2376	2377	2378	2379	2380	2381	2382	2383	2384	2385	2386	2387	2388	2389	2390	2391	2392	2393	2394	2395	2396	2397	2398	2399	2400	2401	2402	2403	2404	2405	2406	2407	2408	2409	2410	2411	2412	2413	2414	2415	2416	2417	2418	2419	2420	2421	2422	2423	2424	2425	2426	2427	2428	2429	2430	2431	2432	2433	2434	2435	2436	2437	2438	2439	2440	2441	2442	2443	2444	2445	2446	2447	2448	2449	2450	2451	2452	2453	2454	2455	2456	2457	2458	2459	2460	2461	2462	2463	2464	2465	2466	2467	2468	2469	2470	2471	2472	2473	2474	2475	2476	2477	2478	2479	2480	2481	2482	2483	2484	2485	2486	2487	2488	2489	2490	2491	2492	2493	2494	2495	2496	2497	2498	2499	2500	2501	2502	2503	2504	2505	2506	2507	2508	2509	2510	2511	2512	2513	2514	2515	2516	2517	2518	2519	2520	2521	2522	2523	2524	2525	2526	2527	2528	2529	2530	2531	2532	2533	2534	2535	2536	2537	2538	2539	2540	2541	2542	2543	2544	2545	2546	2547	2548	2549	2550	2551	2552	2553	2554	2555	2556	2557	2558	2559	2560	2561	2562	2563	2564	2565	2566	2567	2568	2569	2570	2571	2572	2573	2574	2575	2576	2577	2578	2579	2580	2581	2582	2583	2584	2585	2586	2587	2588	2589	2590	2591	2592	2593	2594	2595	2596	2597	2598	2599	2600	2601	2602	2603	2604	2605	2606	2607	2608	2609	2610	2611	2612	2613	2614	2615	2616	2617	2618	2619	2620	2621	2622	2623	2624	2625	2626	2627	2628	2629	2630	2631	2632	2633	2634	2635	2636	2637	2638	2639	2640	2641	2642	2643	2644	2645	2646	2647	2648	2649	2650	2651	2652	2653	2654	2655	2656	2657	2658	2659	2660	2661	2662	2663	2664	2665	2666	2667	2668	2669	2670	2671	2672	2673	2674	2675	2676	2677	2678	2679	2680	2681	2682	2683	2684	2685	2686	2687	2688	2689	2690	2691	2692	2693	2694	2695	2696	2697	2698	2699	2700	2701	2702	2703	2704	2705	2706	2707	2708	2709	2710	2711	2712	2713	2714	2715	2716	2717	2718	2719	2720	2721	2722	2723	2724	2725	2726	2727	2728	2729	2730	2731	2732	2733	2734	2735	2736	2737	2738	2739	2740	2741	2742	2743	2744	2745	2746	2747	2748	2749	2750	2751	2752	2753	2754	2755	2756	2757	2758	2759	2760	2761	2762	2763	2764	2765	2766	2767	2768	2769	2770	2771	2772	2773	2774	2775	2776	2777	2778	2779	2780	2781	2782	2783	2784	2785	2786	2787	2788	2789	2790	2791	2792	2793	2794	2795	2796	2797	2798	2799	2800	2801	2802	2803	2804	2805	2806	2807	2808	2809	2810	2811	2812	2813	2814	2815	2816	2817	2818	2819	2820	2821	2822	2823	2824	2825	2826	2827	2828	2829	2830	2831	2832	2833	2834	2835	2836	2837	2838	2839	2840	2841	2842	2843	2844	2845	2846	2847	2848	2849	2850	2851	2852	2853	2854	2855	2856	2857	2858	2859	2860	2861	2862	2863	2864	2865	2866	2867	2868	2869	2870	2871	2872	2873	2874	2875	2876	2877	2878	2879	2880	2881	2882	2883	2884	2885	2886	2887	2888	2889	2890	2891	2892	2893	2894	2895	2896	2897	2898	2899	2900	2901	2902	2903	2904	2905	2906	2907	2908	2909	2910	2911	2912	2913	2914	2915	2916	2917	2918	2919	2920	2921	2922	2923	2924	2925	2926	2927	2928	2929	2930	2931	2932	2933	2934	2935	2936	2937	2938	2939	2940	2941	2942	2943	2944	2945	2946	2947	2948	2949	2950	2951	2952	2953	2954	2955	2956	2957	2958	2959	2960	2961	2962	2963	2964	2965	2966	2967	2968	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U.S. FORCES, JAPAN (在日本軍) IDENTIFICATION CARD (身分證明書)	
Name (姓名) OSWALD, LEE H.	
Grade (階級) FVT	S.S.N. (番号) 1653230
Organization (所属部隊) MACS-1 MAG-11 1stMAN	
Signature (署名) 	
FEB 257 1977 0510 Apr 5-61 Dallas, Tex 49 FEB 2004	

Selective Service System
 Jones Local Board No. 114
 Selective Service System
 300 W. Vickery, RM. 2227
 Fort Worth 4, Texas
 (LOCAL BOARD STAMP)
 OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Lee Harvey
3124 West
Fort Worth



NATIONAL FORM No. 2
Rev. 4-64-62
Prescribed by GSA Gen. Reg. No. 27

**SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM
REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SELECTIVE SERVICE LAW
Lee Harvey OSWALD

SELECTIVE SERVICE NO. **3121 West 5th St.**


RESIDENCE AT REGISTRATION **Fort Worth 7 Texas Tex.**
Oct. 18, 1939 **New Orleans, LA**
(DATE, SHOW BY YEAR) (STATE OF BIRTH)

WAS ONLY REGISTERED ON THE **14** DAY OF **Sept.** 19 **59**
(DATE OF BIRTH)

Lee Harvey Oswald
(SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL)

THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE KEPT

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES**



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
Lee Harvey Oswald
(SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL)

HONORABLY SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE
United States Marine Corps

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

PERIOD OF ACTIVE DUTY

FROM **AT. 15 1950**

TO **AT. 15 1950**

SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL **Lee Harvey Oswald**

SIGNATURE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER (Typed name and grade)
A. G. AYER, JR. LTJG USMCR

If issued, drop in mail to: Commander, Postage guaranteed. Return to: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code DGC), Washington 25, D. C.

5010-108-1

Approval not required

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM NOTICE OF CLASSIFICATION

Name: JAMES HYDEMAN has
 Selective Service No. 021-224-22022
 been classified in Class ☐ Local Board, ☐ Appeal Board,
 19..... by ☐ ☐ President
 by vote of 10
 (State vote in appeal board cases only)
 (Classification of status of each board)



The law requires that a man be classified in one of the five classes of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1964. The classification is based on the man's age, marital status, occupation, education, and other factors. The law also requires that a man be classified in one of the five classes of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1964. The classification is based on the man's age, marital status, occupation, education, and other factors. The law also requires that a man be classified in one of the five classes of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1964. The classification is based on the man's age, marital status, occupation, education, and other factors.

COLOR OF EYES Blue COLOR OF HAIR Light Brown
 COMPLEXION Fair
 HEIGHT 5' 10" FT. 10 IN. 0 WEIGHT 150 LBS.
 (LEGAL NOTAR STAMP)
 THE LAW REQUIRES YOU TO SIGN THIS CERTIFICATE IN YOUR PERSONAL PRESENCE OR IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC AND TO NOTIFY YOUR LOCAL BOARD OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS.
 GPO: 1964-0-381584

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM
 REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
 THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SELECTIVE SERVICE ACT OF 1964
 Lee Harvey OSBORN
 (Print name) (Last name)
 SELECTIVE SERVICE NO. 3121 West 5th St.
 (Print name) (Address)
 RESIDENCE AT REGISTRATION Fort Worth 7 Tarrant TX
 (City and State)
 WAS DULY REGISTERED ON THE 14 DAY OF Sept. 19 59
 (Date of birth) (Month) (Day) (Year)
 (Signature of registrant)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
LEE HARVEY OSWALD 1653230

HONORABLY SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE

United States Marine Corps

NO COPY TO BE MADE

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE
NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER

L. H. OSWALD

Name

Lee H. Oswald

Signature

JUN 15 1963

Issued

Chapter President

PERIOD OF ACTIVE DUTY

FROM

24 October 1956

TO

11 September 1959

SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL

Lee H. Oswald

OFFICIAL USE

Lee H. Oswald

If issued, only in the presence of the issuing authority and in the presence of the individual named in the certificate.



799 BROADWAY NEW YORK 1, N. Y. CSops 4429

LEE H. OSWALD

Lee H. Oswald

SIGNATURE

5-28-63

ISSUED

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

EMBASSY 6732
169 DEANER ST. NW.
WASHINGTON, D.C.
OSWALD RYAN YENHO

THE KEY TO PERSONNEL SHOWN ON THE SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF THE BASEMENT WALKING AREA, CITY HALL, INVOLVED IN THE SHOOTING OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD BY JACK RUBY. NUMBERS INDICATE POSITION OF PERSONNEL AT THE TIME OF THE SHOOTING ON NOVEMBER 24, 1963.

2	D. R. Archer	22	W. J. Cutchshaw
3	C. O. Arnett	23	N. J. Daniels
3-A	Asst. Ch. Charles Batchelor	24	J. R. Davidson
4	B. L. Beaty	26	Harold Dawson
5	E. R. Beck	27	Sgt. P. T. Dean
6	Jack Beers	29	C. N. Dhority
7	D. G. Brantley	30	J. B. English
8	A. R. Brock	33	Warren Ferguson
9	J. D. Brockaway	34	Bob Fenley
10	C. W. Brown	37	Capt. J. W. Fritz
11	D. L. Burgess	38	C. Goolsby
13	Lt. George Butler	40	L. C. Graves
14	V. C. Campbell	41	C. A. Greeson
15	A. W. Capps	43	R. Hankal
16	W. E. Chambers	44	O. W. Harrison
17	B. S. Clardy	45	W. J. Harrison
18	B. H. Combest	49	J. R. Hopkins
19	R. A. Cox	50	R. S. Huffaker
20	A. B. Craig	52	J. D. Hutchinson
21	K. Croy	53	Robert Jackson

74	L. E. Coz	81	D. L. Pato
55	F. B. Johnson	82	B. G. Patterson
56	Capt. O. A. Jones	83	Francois Polou
58	Seth Kantor	83-A	Tom Pettit
59	J. Kasten	84	George Phenix
60	Capt. G. D. King	85	Lt. R. S. Pierce
61	H. M. Kriss	86	Sgt. J. A. Putnam
63	J. R. Leavell	87	J. K. Ramsey
64	C. G. Lewis	89	H. B. Reynolds
66	R. L. Lowery	89-A	Warren Richey
66-A	Dep. Ch. G. L. Lumpkin	90	Jack Ruby
68	Capt. F. M. Martin	91	W. B. Slack
69	B. J. Maxey	92	J. D. Slocum
71	J. C. McCain	93	Lt. V. S. Smart
72	B. C. McCoy	93-A	Mike Smith
73	H. M. McGee	93-B	Johnny Smith
74	T. D. McMillon	95	I. R. Stephens
75	B. Merrell	95-A	Dep. Ch. M. W. Stevenson
76	L. D. Miller	95-B	Donald Suits
77	L. D. Montgomery	96	Lt. R. E. Swain
78	R. C. Nelson	97	Capt. C. E. Talbert
79	W. J. Newman	97-A	John Tankersly
80	J. F. Newton	98	L. C. Taylor
80-A	Ike Pappas	99	Robert Thornton

99-A David I. Jones
100-A Unknown Jap. Reporter
00-B Unknown Reporter
00-C Jimmy Turner
01 I. F. VanCleave
02 R. E. Vaughn
02-A Homer Vense
04 R. C. Wagner
04-A I. N. Walker
05 R. A. Watkins
06 J. C. Watson
07 Lt. W. Wiggins
09 G. E. Worley

December 19, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

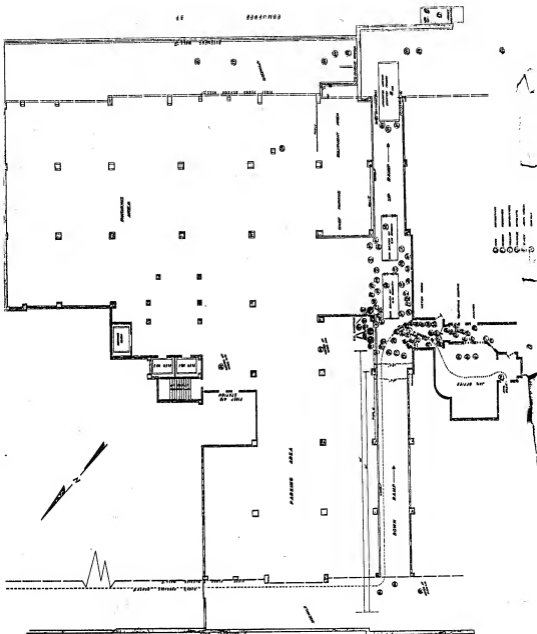
Pursuant to your instructions of November 29, 1963, the unit assigned has completed an investigation of the Operational Security involving the transfer of Lee Harvey Oswald on November 24, 1963.

A summary of the investigation, along with an indexed complete investigative report, plus exhibits is forwarded under separate cover.

Respectfully submitted,

(O.A.J.)
O. A. Jones
Captain of Police

OAJ:msf



December 16, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Investigation of the Operational Security
Involving the Transfer of Lee Harvey Oswald
on November 24, 1963.

Sir:

The investigative team which you appointed on November 29, 1963, to make this investigation wishes to submit the following report:

Security was set up in the basement parking area of the City Hall at approximately 9 a.m. on Sunday, November 24, 1963. (See attachments)

The basement was searched and guards placed at all entrances. All unauthorized personnel were removed from the area. Security personnel and news media were then allowed to enter the basement.

An armored truck was ordered and arrived at the Commerce Street ramp at approximately 11:00 a.m. It was backed onto the ramp. The truck did not have sufficient clearance to be taken to the bottom of the ramp. The driver believed the truck might stall due to the weight if it was placed on the incline. It was then decided to leave the truck at the top of the Commerce Street ramp with the rear wheels on the incline and the front wheels on the sidewalk of the Commerce Street side of the City Hall.

The Jail Office corridor outside the Jail Office and the ramp area South of the Southeast corner of the Jail Office was cleared of everyone except security officers.

Plans were changed and Lieutenant R. J. Pierce drove a squad car out of the basement area and out the Main Street ramp. He was accompanied by Sergeants J. A. Putnam and B. J. Maxey. They made a left turn on Main Street, a left turn on Harwood Street and a left turn on Commerce Street. They were intending to load the armored truck to the County Jail. The armored truck was to be a decoy and the prisoner was to be transferred in a plain car.

Detective Charles Brown drove a plain car on the Commerce Street ramp toward the armored truck. Detective C. K. Dhority then drove another plain car on the ramp behind Detective Charles Brown's car.

Detective C. H. Dhority was in the process of backing the car he was driving into position adjacent to the Jail Office entrance, when the prisoner was brought out of the Jail Office by Detectives J. R. Leavelle and L. C. Graves, preceded by Captain J. W. Fritz and Lieutenant R. E. Swain. They were followed by Detective L. D. Montgomery. The prisoner had taken a few steps toward the car.

Jack Ruby apparently was standing about 10 or 12 feet from the Southeast corner of the Jail Office, at the bottom of the Main Street Ramp near the pipe railing. Ruby lunged forward from a position between acting Detective W. J. Harrison and Robert S. Huffaker, Jr., a newsmen for KRLD-TV. Ruby approached Lee Harvey Oswald with a revolver extended and fired one shot into Oswald below the rib cage on the left side.

The shot was fired at approximately 11:20 a.m. Ruby was immediately arrested. Lee Harvey Oswald expired at Parkland Hospital at 1:07 p.m.

This group interrogated 123 persons during the course of this investigation. This included 20 patrolmen, 21 reserves, 30 detectives, 19 supervisors, 13 reporters, 11 cameramen and 9 civilians. Most of the officers were assigned to provide security and the reporters and cameramen were in the basement at the time of the transfer. Only one of the civilians interrogated was in the basement at the time and this was Jack Ruby.

We have obtained the names of 10 newsmen that were in the basement that we have not been able to interview. We were able to determine there were approximately 10 members of the news media in the basement whose identity we have not been able to determine. It is believed these are newspaper correspondents representing publications from other areas of the country and even other countries. Time and money made the running down of these people inadvisable at this time, particularly since it is not believed that any of them could throw additional light on this matter.

Numerous side investigations which grew out of this investigation were also made. A separate report covering these incidents will be submitted.

We are convinced that our investigation has established to a reasonable certainty that Jack Leon Ruby entered the basement from the Main Street ramp and that no collusion existed between

him and any police officer or member of the press; that his entrance into the basement at this particular time was the result of a series of unfortunate coincidences which caused a momentary breakdown in the security measures adopted. We are also convinced that Ruby was in the basement for a maximum of 2 minutes.

The following evidence led us to the above conclusion:

I. Exhibit BB

A. Lieutenants Jack Revill and P. G. McCaghren interviewed Mr. Doyal Lane of 6549 Lake Circle, TAL-0560 at the Western Union Telegraph Company located at Main and Pearl Expressway in Dallas, Texas.

1. Mr. Lane is a supervisor for the Western Union Telegraph Company and was on duty at this location on November 24, 1963. At 11:16 a.m. Jack Ruby sent a \$25.00 Money Order to an employee, Karen Bennett, Ft. Worth, Texas and was given a receipt which was stamped with the time (11:16 a.m.)
2. Mr. Lane was shown several photographs and he readily picked the photograph of Jack Ruby from these and stated that he knew Jack Ruby inasmuch as Ruby had sent several telegrams in the past.

II. Exhibit DD

- A. Shows a distance of 339'6" from the Westernmost doorway at the Western Union Office to the center of the ramp leading into the basement of the City Hall from Main Street.
- B. Shows a distance of 99' from the center of the sidewalk down the Main Street Ramp to a line running East from the Southeast corner of the Jail Office.

- C. Shows a distance of 16' from the Easternmost point of line mentioned in B above to point where Lee Oswald was shot.
- D. Total minimum distance Ruby would have to travel to arrive at spot of shooting from doorway of Western Union equals 454'6".

III. Exhibit EB

- A. Lieutenants Jack Revill and P. G. McCaghren on November 29, 1963, checked the time required to walk from inside the Western Union Office to the spot of the shooting in the basement of the City Hall.
 - 1. It takes 1 minute and 13 seconds to walk this distance to the entrance of the Main Street ramp.
 - 2. It requires another 22 seconds to walk down the ramp from Main Street to the location where Oswald was shot.
 - 3. Total time required was 1 minute and 35 seconds.

IV. Exhibit CC

- A. Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren used a stop watch checking time required to walk from entrance of Western Union to location of Lee Oswald at time of shooting. Time required was 1 minute and 16 seconds.
- B. It requires 10 seconds or more to go from the desk in the Western Union Office to the sidewalk outside the office.
- C. Total time required was 1 minute and twenty-six seconds.

V. Time of Shooting

A. Patrolman Willie D. Slack (Attachment 91) called dispatcher for doctor and ambulance.

1. Dispatcher called O'Neal Funeral Home on "Hot Line" for ambulance.

(a) Funeral home logged call at 11:21 a.m., November 24, 1963.

(b) Funeral Home advised dispatcher to radio Ambulance 605 who was on the air.

2. Dispatcher notified Ambulance 605 at 11:22 a.m. November 24, 1963. (Exhibit BB) (Exhibit EE)

B. Statements by Ruby - Attachment 90.

1. To Lieutenants Jack Revill and F. I. Cornwall that he sent a telegram at 11:16 and did not speak to anyone in the basement prior to the shooting.

2. To Detective D. R. Archer (Attachment 2).
"At this time P. T. Dean asked the suspect, Ruby, 'Jack, how did you get in the basement?' Ruby replied, 'You guys'll never believe this, but a little girl who works for me had called and asked that I send her some money to Ft. Worth. I had left my apartment, gone to Western Union at Main and the Expressway, and wired her \$25.00. I left there and noticed the crowd around the City Hall. I walked up that way, thinking I might get a chance to see Oswald. As I reached the ramp that leads to the basement, I noticed Sam Pierce pull up from the ramp in a black car. The officer standing there turned to either answer a question or say something to Sam. - I don't know. As he did this, I walked down the ramp'."

Mr. Forrest Sorrells of the U. S. Secret Service was believed to be present at the time this statement was made to Sergeant Dean.

3. To Detective B. J. Clardy (Attachment 17).

"When asked why he shot Lee Oswald, Ruby replied, 'Somebody had to do it, Ya'll couldn't'. He said it was a spur of the moment thing and it was a million to one chance that he got down there at the actual time Oswald was brought down."

4. To Sergeant P. T. Dean (Attachment 27).

"After Mr. Sorrells interrogated the subject I questioned Ruby as to how he had entered the basement and the length of time he had been there. Ruby then stated to me in the presence of Mr. Sorrells that he had entered the basement through the ramp entering on Main Street. He further stated that he would estimate his total time as about 3 minutes before the detectives brought Oswald into his view, then he immediately shot him (Oswald)."

5. To Detective T. D. McMillon (Attachment 74).

"We talked to him when we got to the fifth floor. On the fifth floor Ruby was asked how he got to the basement. He replied that he came from the Western Union Office where he wired a girl in Ft. Worth some money. He said he saw Rio Pierce drive out of the basement. He walked past the policeman standing there. He said a policeman hollered at him, but he ducked his head and kept going. He said that he knew he could always act like a reporter. He also said, 'Ya'll won't believe this, but I didn't have this planned. I couldn't have timed it so perfect.' He said just as he got there, Oswald was coming out."

6. To Patrolman W. J. Harrison (Attachment 45)

* "You all know me, I'm Jack Ruby". One officer asked him why he did it, and he answered "I hope I killed the S.O.B."

VI. Car driven wrong way up Main Street Ramp.

- A. Lieutenant R. S. Pierce, Sergeant Putnam and Sergeant Waxey were in car. (Attachments 85, 86 and 69.)
 - 1. All statements state shooting occurred between time car left Main Street Ramp and arrival at Commerce Street Ramp.
- B. Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren interviewed Mr. Fritz Kuler of KRLD-TV. (Attachment 62) Mr. Kuler stated the video tape was continuous. The time recorded on the video machine of elapsed time from passage of Lieutenant Pierce's car in front of the TV camera until the sound of the shot was 56 seconds. This was checked twice.

VII. Officer R. E. Vaughn - Attachment 102.

- A. Assigned to Main Street Ramp of City Hall.
- B. Instructed by Sergeant P. T. Dean to guard the North Ramp.
- C. Officer Vaughn questioned several people and admitted a city mechanic and 1 reporter.
- D. Stopped out into Main Street to stop traffic and allow Lieutenant Pierce to make left turn onto Main Street.
- E. Saw former Officer N. J. Daniels at Main Street Ramp.
- F. Saw former shine-boy from locker room, Wilbert Ray Jones at Main Street Ramp.
- G. Polygraph test showed truthful answers on all pertinent questions.

VIII. Statement of N. J. Daniels - Attachment 23.

- A. Saw man enter Main Street Ramp.

- B. Gave description of man.
- C. Said man entered between himself and Officer Vaughn and the officer looked at him but did not stop him.
- D. Polygraph test showed untruthfulness on all pertinent questions that were answered.

IX. Statement of Wilbert Ray Jones - Attachment 57

Had gone to parking lot at Commerce and Harwood at time of shot.

X. Statement of Reserve Officer W. J. Newman - Attachment 79.

Reserve Officer Newman saw someone running down the Main Street Ramp but could not definitely say the time. He believes it was about 1 minute before the shooting.

XI. Statement of Reserve Officer Sergeant Kenneth Croy - Attachment 21.

This officer gives description of man he believes to have been Jack Ruby, that was at foot of Main Street Ramp a while before the shooting. (Investigating Officers have determined that Robert Huffaker, KRLD-TV newsmen was in this area at the time, and his clothes were identical to the clothing described by this officer.)

XII. Statements of Detectives B. L. Beatty and J. D. Hutchinson - Attachments 4 and 52.

These two detectives were stationed at the double doors leading into the City Hall from the basement parking area for more than 10 minutes before the shooting. They both know Jack Ruby and neither saw him in the basement prior to the shooting. They say Ruby

did not enter the basement area from the double doors from the Jail Office of the Police and Courts Building.

- XIII. Statements of Sergeant Putnam, Reserve Captain Arnett and Reserve Lieutenant McCoy. - Attachments 86, 3 and 72.

These officers statements are regarding the search of the basement parking area and ramps and screening of personnel in area.

- XIV. Newspaper article in Dallas Times Herald, Sunday, December 8, 1963. Statements of Darwin Payne, David Hughes and Sergeant P. T. Dean. - Attachments 82A, 50A and 27.

The article alleged that a Dallas Police Officer saw Jack Ruby as he came down the Main Street Ramp.

Sergeant Dean denied the allegation and the statements of the reporters and their notes show a presumption of the fact not confirmed by the evidence.

- XV. Statement of Officer W. J. Harrison - Attachments 45 and 84-B.

Jack Ruby came from this officer's left side when he plunged forward to shoot Oswald.

Polygraph test by Detective P. L. Bentley shows that Officer Harrison did not see Ruby prior to the exit of Oswald from the Jail Office and did not recognize Ruby until instant shot was fired.

- XVI. Security check of newsmen who entered the basement.

All members of the press who were interviewed stated their credentials were checked upon entering the basement, or that they knew the officers personally that admitted them to the basement.

XVII. Use of Press Pass by Jack Ruby.

- A. Statement by Eva Grant that she believed her brother had a Press Pass. See Exhibit 39-A.
- B. Statement by Mr. Thad Kicks (Attachment 90) that no State Fair Pass was issued to Ruby.
- C. Negative report from all officers and news media regarding seeing Ruby with a Press Pass.
- D. An introductory card was found in Ruby's automobile glove compartment from former Judge Glen Byrd introducing the bearer as Jack Ruby and expressing appreciation for any help given bearer. (In Property Room)

XVIII. Conclusion:

- A. This investigative team believes that Jack Ruby entered the Main Street ramp as the car driven by Lieutenant Rio Pierce was leaving the basement. Patrolman R. E. Vaughn was the only officer guarding the Main Street ramp at this time, and he had stepped into Main Street to halt traffic in order that Lieutenant Pierce could make a left turn onto Main Street.
- B. We also feel it should be noted that no officer interviewed knew the time that Oswald was to be brought to the basement. The car that was to be used for the transfer was still in process of backing into position when Oswald was led from the Jail Office (Attachments 37 and 77)
- C. The still pictures (Attachments 6-A and 53-A) show many of the detectives with their eyes on Oswald at the moment of the shooting, and not watching the viewers who were across the North Ramp and on the East side of the ramp

The bright lights illuminating area for the TV cameras were centered on the area adjacent to the Jail Office, making it difficult for the officers who were facing the lights and cameras to observe any movements originating from the Northeast side of the ramp.

- D. These officers had been instructed to form two lines from the Jail Office door to the vehicles to be used for the transfer and to close in behind the prisoner. (See Attachments 4, 16, 18, 41, 52, 66, 87 and 104)
- E. Exhibits 24-A, 43-A, GG & HH are sound films taken from video tape of the shooting.
- F. Exhibit 84 is a silent film of the shooting.

The other members of this Unit, Lieutenants C. C. Wallace, Jack Rovill, F. I. Cornwall, P. G. McCaghren and Detective R. M. Hart concur with the statements in this report.

Respectfully,

J. H. Sawyer
J. H. Sawyer

Inspector of Police

W. R. Westbrook
W. R. Westbrook
Captain of Police

O. A. Jones
O. A. Jones
Captain of Police

I N D E X

1. K. K. Anderson	Patrolman	Elm & Field
2. D. R. Archer	Detective	Basement
3. C. C. Arnett	Reserve	Basement
3-A Charles Bitchelor	Supervisor	Basement
4. P. L. Beatty	Detective	Basement
5. E. R. Beck	Detective	Basement
6. Jack Beers	Photographer	Basement
6-A Beers Photographs		Separate Exhibit
7. D. G. Brantley	Detective	Basement
8. D. R. Brock	Reserve	Basement
9. J. D. Brockaway	Reserve	Basement
10. C. W. Brown	Detective	Basement
11. D. L. Burgess	Detective	Basement
12. T. R. Burton	Patrolman	Commerce & Central
13. George Suttler	Supervisor	Basement
14. V. C. Campbell	Detective	Basement
15. A. W. Capps	Reserve	Commerce Street Sidewalk
16. W. E. Chambers	Detective	Basement
17. E. S. Clardy	Detective	Basement
18. E. H. Conbest	Detective	Basement
19. R. A. Cox	Reserve	Commerce Street Ramp
20. A. B. Craig	Reserve	Basement
21. K. Croy	Reserve	Basement
22. W. J. Cutshaw	Detective	Basement
23. H. J. Daniels	Civilian	Outside Main Street Ramp
24. J. R. Davidson	Reporter	Basement
24-A ABC-TV Sound Film		Separate Exhibit
25. R. T. Davis	Reserve	Commerce & Harwood
26. H. Dawson	Detective	Basement
27. P. T. Dean	Supervisor	Basement
28. Nolan Denent	Civilian	Commerce St.-Outside City
29. C. H. Dhority	Detective	Basement
30. J. B. English	Camcraaman	Basement
31. D. K. Erwin	Patrolman	Commerce & Pearl Expressway
32. K. E. Farris	Patrolman	Elm & Lamar
33. Warren Furgeson	Reporter	Basement
34. Bob Fenley	Reporter	Basement
35. L. L. Fox	Patrolman	Harwood & Elm
36. W. B. Frazier	Supervisor	Not at City Hall
37. J. W. Fritz	Supervisor	Basement
38. C. Goolshy	Detective	Basement
39. Eva Grant	Civilian	Not present
39-A Sound Tape of Eva Grant Interview		Separate Exhibit
40. L. C. Graves	Detective	Basement
41. C. A. Gresson	Detective	Basement
42. T. R. Gregory	Patrolman	Central & Elm
43. R. Honkal	Camcraaman	Basement
43-A KRLD-TV Sound Film		Separate Exhibit
43-B KRLD-TV Still Pictures		Separate Exhibit
44. O. W. Harrison	Reserve	Commerce Street Ramp

45. M. J. Harrison	Acting Detective	Basement
46. H. E. Hatley	Reserve	Houston & Elm
47. W. E. Hibbs	Patrolman	Akard & Elm
48. H. B. Holly	Reserve	Main & Harwood-after
49. J. R. Hopkins	Reserve	Commerce Street Ramp
50. R. S. Huffaker	Reporter	Basement
50-A David Hughes	Reporter	Not Present
51. J. C. Hunt	Reserve	Elm & Houston
52. J. D. Hutchinson	Detective	Basement
53. Robert Jackson	Photographer	Basement
53-A Still Pictures by Robert Jackson		Separate Exhibit
54. L. E. Joe	Patrolman	Basement
55. F. S. Johnston	Camerman	Basement
55-A Still Pictures by Johnston		Separate Exhibit
56. O. A. Jones	Supervisor	Basement
57. W. R. Jones	Civilian	Main St. Ramp & Parking
58. Seth Kantor	Reporter	Basement of Com.
59. J. Kasten	Reserve	Sidewalk-Commerce St.
60. C. D. King	Supervisor	Basement
61. H. M. Kriss	Reserve	Basement
62. F. Kuler	Reporter	Not present
63. J. R. Leaville	Detective	Basement
64. C. G. Lewis	Patrolman	Jail Elevator
65. Joe Long	Newsman	Not present
66. R. L. Lowery	Detective	Basement
66-A G. L. Lumpkin	Supervisor	Basement
67. R. H. Lunday	Supervisor	Not Present
68. F. E. Martin	Supervisor	Basement
69. B. J. Maxey	Sergeant	Car on Main & Harwood
70. R. L. Mayo	Reserve	Commerce St. (South Side)
71. J. C. McCain	Reserve	Commerce St. (North Side)
72. D. C. McCoy	Reserve	Basement
73. H. E. McCoo	Detective	Basement
74. T. D. McMillon	Detective	Basement
75. B. Morrell	Reserve	Assembly Room
76. L. D. Miller	Detective	Basement
77. L. D. Montgomery	Detective	Basement
78. R. C. Nelson	Patrolman	Outside Jail Office w/
79. M. J. Newman	Reserve	Basement
80. J. F. Newton	Civilian	Jail Office
80-A Ike Pappas	Reporter (Not interviewed)	Basement
81. D. L. Pate	Patrolman	Basement
82. F. G. Patterson	Patrolman	Basement
82-A Darwin Payne	Reporter	Not Present
83. Francis Polou	Reporter	Basement
83-A Tom Pettit	Reporter (Not interviewed)	Basement
84. George Phenix	Camerman	Basement
84-A Silent Film by Phenix		Separate Exhibit
84-B Still Shots from Phenix Film		Separate Exhibit
87. R. S. Pierce	Supervisor	Car - Main & Harwood
88. J. A. Putnam	Supervisor	Car - Main & Harwood
89. J. K. Ramsey	Detective	Basement

89. J. Ruz	Patrolman	Elm & Stone
89. H. S. Reynolds	Detective	Basement
90-A Warren Richey	Newsman	Truck on Commerce Str.
90. Jack Ruby	Civilian	Basement
91. W. B. Slick	Patrolman	Jail Office
92. J. D. Slocum	Civilian	Jail Office
93. V. S. Smart	Supervisor	Basement
93-A Mike Smith	Reporter (Not interviewed)	Basement
93-B Johnny Smith	Newsman	Truck on Commerce
94. D. F. Steele	Supervisor	Elm & Houston
95. I. R. Stephens	Detective	Basement
95-A E. W. Stevenson	Supervisor	Basement
96. R. E. Swain	Supervisor	Basement
97. C. E. Talbert	Supervisor	Basement
97-A John Tankersly	Camoraman	Basement
98. L. C. Taylor	Patrolman	Basement
99. Robert Thornton	Reporter	Basement
99-A Sound Tape by R. Thornton		Separate Exhibit
99-B Transcription of Sound Tape		
99-C David Timmons	Camoraman	Basement
100. G. L. Tolbert	Patrolman	Elm & Pearl
100-A Unknown Japanese	Reporter (Not interviewed)	Basement
100-B Unknown	Reporter (Not interviewed)	Basement
100-C Jimmy Turner	Camoraman	Basement
101. I. F. VanCleave	Detective	Basement
102. R. E. Vaughn	Patrolman	Main Street Ramp
102-A Homer Vance	Camoraman	Basement
103. H. J. Wages	Patrolman	Main & Central
104. R. C. Wagner	Detective	Basement
105. R. A. Watkins	Patrolman	Basement
106. J. C. Watson	Detective	Basement
107. W. Higgins	Supervisor	Basement
108. K. L. Wise	Patrolman	Elm & St. Paul
109. S. E. Worley	Reserve	Basement
110. Tony Zoppi	Reporter	Not Present
111. Exhibit AA-1	Transcript of Chief Curry's Time of Transfer Statement	
Exhibit AA	Tape of Chief Curry's Statement	Separate Exhibit
112. Exhibit BB	Mr. Doyal Lane (Western Union) Time Telegram Sent	
113. Timing of walk from Western Union and of Lt. Pierce's Squad Car.		
Exhibit DD	Map of Basement	Separate Exhibit
114. Radio Call sheet for Ambulance		
115. News Media present in basement but not interviewed		
Exhibit GG	Sound Film from WBAP-TV	Separate Exhibit
Exhibit HH	Sound Film from WBAP-TV	Separate Exhibit

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment of Officer
K. K. Anderson, #1336
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

At approximately 9:00 A.M., November 24, 1963, I received a Radio call to report to Patrol office. I arrived at about 9:15 A.M. I was instructed to remain there until I received other instructions. At about 9:45 A.M. I was instructed to report to Sgt. Dean in the basement.

I was then assigned to Elm Street and Field Street by Sgt. P. T. Dean for traffic assignment. I went immediately to my assignment.

At approximately 11:35 A.M., I received a Radio call to report to Parkland Hospital. I arrived at 5200 block of Harry Hines Blvd. and worked traffic at this location.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth K. Anderson
Kenneth K. Anderson
Patrolman #1336
Patrol Division

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11/28

December 2, 1963

STATEMENT OF K. K. ANDERSON:

I left the basement of the City Hall about 10:15 A. M. for my traffic assignment, and did not return prior to the shooting.

I do not know Jack Ruby.

December 1, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee ^Harvey Oswald
Interview of D. R. Archer ✓

Sir:

D. R. Archer was interviewed by Lieutenant C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 3:00 pm November 30, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by D. R. Archer:

I have been asked if I know Jack Ruby, and I do not. He was pointed out to me by another officer. This was several years ago.

After assisting in apprehending this subject and carrying him directly to the 5th floor along with Captain King, Detectives Clardy and McMillan, where we immediately took him back to an investigative section of the jail, we very carefully searched the subject for any weapons, not necessarily personal property, turning it over to the jailer which was Haaky, as we went. Then we removed all the clothing, leaving the subject only in his shorts with the thought of keeping him from harming himself or concealing another weapon. Shortly after we had completed this procedure, Sgt. P. T. Dean brought Mr. Sorrels, who I believe is in charge of Secret Service, into the room to interview this subject. At this time P. T. Dean asked the suspect Ruby, "Jack how did you get into the basement." Ruby replied, "You guys'll never believe this, but a little girl who works for me had called me and asked that I send her some money to Ft. Worth. I had left my apartment, gone to Western Union at Main and the Expressway, and wired her \$25.00. I left there, and noticed the crowd around City Hall. I walked up that way, thinking I might get a chance to see Oswald. As I reached the ramp that leads to the basement, I noticed Sam Pierce pull up from the ramp in a black car. The officer standing there turned to either answer a question or say something to Sam, I don't know. As he did this I walked down the ramp." This is to the best of my knowledge and memory of the exact conversation that took place at that time.

After seeing this suspect up in the jail after his initial arrest, I do know that I did not see this suspect in the area prior to this shooting or any other time in the City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME, _____

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

I was stationed on the North side door that exits into the basement from in front of the jail office and just South of the jail door in the basement garage corridor. As Oswald was brought for me he was being led by Captain Fritz and was between two Detectives. As they reached the edge of the ramp I saw a man dressed in a suit wearing a gray hat went in front of Oswald and just behind "Captain Fritz." I distinctly heard the suspect shout a phrase, the only word I could make out was "Son of a bitch."

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____ A.D. 196 _____

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME, _____

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

Before I could move I saw someone grab his arm and at this time I caught a glimpse of a pistol and heard the report of the shot. Oswald shouted "Oh no!" and collapsed. As I started forward I was cut off by the officers that had dove on the suspect and was pushed back. I then assisted in dragging the prisoner to the jail office where he was held on the floor until Detective M. M. Mellon could get the hand

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____ A.D. 196 _____

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME, _____

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

cuffs on the prisoner
I asked "who is it?" and ~~the~~ *the* the suspect
turned his head my way and stated "you
know me, I'm Jack Ruby!" We then picked
him up, and along with Captain King, Peter
Clardy, Detective Mr. Millon ~~and~~ and
myself, we took him to the jail elevator
and went directly to the fifth floor. We
then removed his personal property, took
off his clothes, and stayed with him
until 3:30 P.m. when Homicide officers came.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____ A.D. 196 _____

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

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AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME, _____

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

to the jail and asked us to assist in escorting him to the Homicide Bureau, which we did and then returned to our office, the Auto Theft Bureau.

*D. R. Archer 1028
11/24/63 4:58pm*

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____ A.D. 196 _____

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 9:00 A. M.
2. I reported to Lt. Merrell in Assembly Room.
3. I was assigned to - My first act was to request transportation for five Reserves to the Elm-Houston Area. Request was through Chief Lunday and Lt. Higgins. A squad transferred these men. Sgt. Dean requested some men to assist in searching the basement. I summoned all the men we had on call in the assembly room at this time (approximately 10 men) and went with Sgt. Dean to the basement. Sgt. Dean and Sgt. Putnam directed the Reserves to other regular officers that were in process of searching the basement. When the search was completed and men assigned to a post, I took a position where the cars would enter the parking area from the ramp.

I remained in this position until Reserve J. C. Hunt took this position. I then took a position at the base of the North ramp where it levels off. I remained at this position until after the shooting. Persons who were at this same position just prior to and at the time of the shooting were: A newsmen with a microphone next to the west wall, then myself, then another newsmen with a pencil and paper, then Capt. King, then another person to the east of Capt. King. Officer Elsie Harrison along with others I did not know the names of were directly ahead of the group I was with.

After men had been assigned, Police Supervisors were requesting men, if we could spare them, and several were taken to other positions outside the basement. Some Reserve Supervisors who had no particular assignment took these positions that were being vacated.

I saw Capt. Fritz entering the basement from the jail office, approximately four or five feet behind were the detectives with Oswald. Just as they entered the driveway I saw a man lunge (from beside the TV Camera that was on the east side of the drive where you enter the parking area) toward Oswald. I did not see the gun until after the shooting.

4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are: Capt. King, Sgt. Dean & Putnam, Capt. Talbert, Det. Beatty, Harrison, Lt. Higgins, Officer Slack, Chief Batchelor. Reserves - Lts. McCoy, Kriss, Suits, Sgt. Croy, J. C. Hunt, H. H. Hatley, R. A. Cox, J. K. Hopkins, G. E. Worley, Kasten.

Statement of Reserve Captain C. O. Arnett

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5. Did you know Ruby? Not my name - but by sight as a night club oper
6. When and under what circumstances did you see Ruby?

See statement in body of report.

Signed:

C. O. Arnett
C. O. Arnett, Reserve Captain

December 9, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer
Captain C. O. Arnett - #955

Sir:

On December 9, 1963, Reserve Officer, Captain C. O. Arnett was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald not covered in his original report dated November 24, 1963. After having read his original report Arnett stated that he recalls observing Lieutenant Pierce's driving a police squad car out of the basement of the City Hall via the Main Street ramp. This occurred just prior to the shooting of Oswald. He recalls assisting in moving members of the news media out of the path of the vehicle so it could exit from the City Hall. After the police vehicle drove off, a group of the news media and police officers regrouped at the foot of the Main Street ramp. Captain Arnett also recalls the white police vehicle being moved into line at the base of the ramp of the City Hall. This was also prior to the shooting.

In his original report, Captain Arnett stated that he knew of Ruby as a night club operator but that he did not know him by sight.

Captain Arnett stated that he has been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau

Jack Revell
Jack Revell
Lieutenant

December 12, 1963

Inspector J. H. Sawyer talked to Assistant Chief of Police, Mr. Chas. Batchelor and received the following statement:

"I went to the basement area of the City Hall at about 11:00 a.m. on the morning of November 24, 1963, to help in the transfer of Lee Harvey Oswald to the County Jail.

At the time of the shooting, I was standing about half way between the 2 detective's cars that were parked on the ramp. I was East of these 2 cars. I did not see the shooting. I heard someone call out "Here he comes", and I started up the ramp towards Commerce Street to close a door on the armored truck when I heard a shot.

I turned and went back and saw several officers struggling with someone on the floor. I didn't see who it was that had done the shooting until I went into the Jail Office where they had taken Jack Ruby. While in the Jail Office I watched the detectives struggling with Jack Ruby on the floor putting handcuffs on him.

I did not know Jack Ruby prior to his shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald."


J. H. Sawyer
Inspector of Police

JHS:nw

December 23, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Supplement Report regarding the
Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

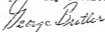
Sir:

I hereby wish to supplement my report of November 24, 1963 concerning my activities at the time Lee Harvey Oswald was shot in the basement of the City Hall.

In searching the armored car that day, November 24, 1963, which was parked on the Commerce Street basement ramp, with Assistant Chief Charles Batchelor, we found an empty soda water bottle which fell out of the truck and broke.

This supplement made at the suggestion of Captain O. A. Jones.

Respectfully submitted,



George E. Butler
Lieutenant of Police
Juvenile Bureau

GEB:mav

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, about 11:00 A.M., I was in the basement of the City Hall, Police Courts Building. Captain O. A. Jones walked by and told me that some detectives from the third floor would be down shortly and for me to remain there and tell them to wait for him in front of the jail office window.

We were assigned to the basement hallway of the jail office by Captain O. A. Jones, evenly divided on each side of the hallway. Our instructions were to keep the hallway clear all the way to the armored car.

R. L. Lowery, B. H. Combest, Jerry Hutchinson, and myself and possibly some more, were assigned to the South side of the hallway directly across from the outside entrance to the jail office. On the other side of the hall were Charles Goolsby, James Watson, W. E. Chambers, W. J. Harrison and W. J. Outshaw. I am not sure of the order of their stations.

About ten minutes passed when Captain Jones came over with Sergeant Putnam and they both told the people of the press to clear the hallway completely and to move out into the drive North of the hallway and to the East of the ramp drive where the armored car was parked. They then told them not to ask Oswald any questions as he was leaving the building.

About 11:30 A.M. Lieutenant R. E. Swain came out of the door of the jail office followed by Captain Fritz. The lights from the many cameras came on immediately. Following Captain Fritz was J. R. Leavelle, Lee Harvey Oswald and L. C. Graves. Following these was L. D. Montgomery.

About half way out of the hallway the press began to reach at Oswald with microphones asking him to make a statement.

I took one step into the hall anticipating following Oswald, Graves and Leavelle to the armored car. I heard a shot and looked over to see many police officers subduing Jack Ruby. I saw L. C. Graves take a snub-nose pistol from Ruby's hand as he was forced to the floor.

From where I was stationed, just inside the jail office hallway, I could see one police officer and a reserve officer. They were stationed at the windows of the jail office and were checking everyone that came in and out of this entrance. I recall that either one or both had been there since 9:30 A.M., this date, and that on one occasion Melba Espinosa, an employee at the Information Desk, was refused admittance to the basement.

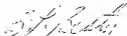
Never during the entire operation did I see anyone enter or leave the basement without being properly identified and in many instances searched. I never did see Ruby until after I heard the shot.

The following is a list of the officers I remember seeing close by:

D. H. Combest
J. H. Hutchinson
H. J. Harrison
Wilbur Cutshaw
James Watson
R. L. Lowery

Charles Goolsby
H. E. Chambers
Captain Frank Martin
Lieutenant W. Higgins
L. D. Miller
R. C. Magener

Respectfully submitted,



B. L. Beatty, Detective
Special Service Bureau
Narcotic Section

BLB:mjr

November 29, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Detective B. L. Beaty, 637

On November 29, 1963 Detective B. L. Beaty was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in Beaty's original report dated November 27, 1963.

Detective Beaty stated, after reading his original report, that he had nothing of significance to add. He stated that he had known Jack Ruby for several years, but that on the date of Oswald's shooting he had not observed Ruby in the basement of City Hall.

Detective Beaty stated the he has not been interviewed by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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REPORT OF OFFICER'S TALKING TO PRESSING TO OSWALD'S MURDER

R. P. PERRY - 215

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, I got to the office at 6:30 AM.

At about 9:30 AM, Det. Leavelle, Graves, and Eberity went to the Jail to bring Oswald to Capt. Fritz's office. Det. Brown, Montgomery and myself waited at the third floor Jail elevator door and helped get Oswald to our office.

At about 11:10 AM, Capt. Fritz told Dets. Eberity, Brown, and myself to go to the basement and get the cars set up for Oswald's transfer. He told Det. Eberity to put his car by the Jail door, and for me to drive the lead car. Capt. Fritz told me that we would go to Commerce, East on Commerce to Pranten, North to Main, then West on Main, and when we got to the entrance of the Jail on Main, I was to drive past the entrance, so that they could drive into the Jail entrance.

When we got to the basement, we had some trouble lining up the cars because of the TV cameras and the press. Detective Eberity was backing Capt. Fritz's car into position. I was standing just to the rear of the lead car telling Det. Brown to back up just a little more, when a shot was fired, and I ran back and helped Lt. Swain get the crowd back. I went into the Jail office, and Oswald was lying on the floor on the North side of the office and several officers had a man on the floor that I later found out was Jack Ruby.

An ambulance arrived and Oswald was placed in the ambulance, and Det. Graves, Eberity, and Leavelle went in the ambulance to Parkland. I got my

car and Capt. Fritz sat in the front seat, and Det. Montgomery and Brown in the back, and we went to Parkland Hospital. We went to Emergency Room, and the doctors and nurses were working on Oswald. Shortly after we arrived, Oswald was taken from the Emergency Room to the Operating Room on the second floor. Capt. Fritz and I left the second floor and returned to our office, along with Det. Montgomery.

After we had gotten back to the office, Jack Ruby was brought to Capt. Fritz's office at 3:25 PM, and I helped other officers get him from the Jail Elevator door to our office. After Capt. Fritz talked to Jack Ruby, I helped other officers get him back to the elevator door.

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

December 5, 1963

Re: Interview with Jack Beers
Photographer - Dallas Morning News

Sir:

Mr. Beers was interviewed at approximately 3:00 p.m. on December 4, 1963. He had taken the position on the railing to the left of the 2 mounted cameras. Mr. Beers first picture shows Ruby as he lunged towards Oswald and fired the shot. He immediately took 7 other pictures in quick succession that recounts most of the activity following the shooting. These pictures will also enable us to establish the positions of many detectives as the prisoner was being brought from the jail office.

Mr. Beers is well acquainted with Jack Ruby but does not recall seeing him in the crowd prior to the shooting.

We are in possession of all of Beers' photographs.

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. McCaghren
Lieutenant, Burglary & Theft Bureau

C. C. Wallace
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Lieutenant, Juvenile Bureau

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November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment of Officer
M. E. Farris #1832
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

On November 24, 1963, at approximately 10:00 A.M., I reported to the Patrol Captain's office. At the direction of Captain Talbert I reported to the basement parking area to receive assignment.

At approximately 10:45 A.M. I was assigned to the intersection of Elm and Lamar, with instructions from Sgt. Dean to clear the intersection of all traffic upon the approach of the vehicle bearing the prisoner. I immediately left the basement and proceeded to my assignment.

At approximately 11:30 A.M., Officer G. L. Tolbert drove up in a squad car and advised that we were to report to Parkland Hospital. We immediately proceeded to Parkland and reported to Sgt. Steel for assignment.

Respectfully submitted,

M. E. Farris,
Patrolman #1832
Patrol Division

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November 29, 1963

Statement of M. M. Ferris:

I left the City Hall at 10:45 A. M., for a traffic assignment at Elm and Lamar, and did not return prior to the shooting.

I do not know Jack Ruby.

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment of Officer
D. K. Erwin, #1849
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

At approximately 9:20 A.M., November 24, 1963, my partner, T. R. Burton #1308 and myself, received a radio call to report to 511.

We arrived at 511 a few minutes later and were advised to report to the basement of city hall to Sgt. Dean.

Sgt. Dean assigned me to report to the corner of Commerce Street and Pearl Expressway to work traffic. I left immediately for this assignment. I worked this assignment for approximately 30 minutes, then Captain Talbert told me to report to command post at Parkland Hospital Code 2, which I did.

Respectfully submitted,


D. K. Erwin
Patrolman, #1849
Patrol Division

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November 30, 1963

STATEMENT OF D. K. ERWIN:

I left the City Hall at approximately 11:00 A. M. for my traffic assignment at Commerce and Pearl Expressway, and did not return prior to the shooting.

I do not know Jack Ruby.

December 9, 1963

Mr. J. B. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Telephone Interview with Mr. J. B. English,
KRLD-TV Cameraman, 4509 Live Oak, TAL-5554.

Sir:

At approximately 3:30 p.m., December 9, 1963, I contacted Mr. J. B. English, by telephone, regarding his knowledge of the incident (Oswald shooting) which occurred Sunday morning, November 24, 1963.

Mr. English stated he was taking continuous pictures in the basement of the City Hall and started taking film at the time they backed the armored car into the Commerce Street ramp. He was working with Channel 4 Camera behind the railing, this would be the camera on the North side, and that he was "feeding all the time".

Mr. English stated he did not know Jack Ruby and did not see Jack Ruby prior to the shooting.

Mr. English also stated he did not take any shots toward the Main Street ramp. I asked him if he could tell me if this was one continuous film that we viewed on video tape at the KRLD-TV Station. He stated that he would have no way of knowing whether the control monitored all of his continuous pictures.

Mr. English stated he had been interviewed by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace
Lieutenant of Police
Juvenile Bureau

The officers had Ruby, and Det. Leavelle was being untied from Oswald. Capt. Fritz directed me to return to the basement and have the Supervisor Officer to obtain the names of everyone in the basement. I went to Capt. C. E. Talbert and gave him Capt. Fritz's message. I then moved Capt. Fritz's car out of the driveway where the ambulance could get to the jail office. When the ambulance came, I rode in the ambulance with Oswald to Parkland Hospital. I stayed at Parkland Hospital until Oswald was pronounced dead. Det. C. W. Brown and I went with Oswald's body to the morgue where we waited until Dr. Earl Rose made his preliminary pictures of the body prior to the autopsy. I turned over Oswald's clothing to Dr. Earl Rose, and returned to the Homicide Office in the City Hall approximately 5:30 PM. I stayed in the Homicide Office with Mr. Stewart and went through the property of Oswald. I made copies of letters and identification from Oswald's property for Mr. Stewart. I also made copies of all the affidavits that had been taken by the Homicide Office and Sheriff's Office for Mr. Sorrells of the Secret Service.

REPORT ON OFFICER'S DUTIES IN REGARDS TO OSWALD'S MURDER

C. M. FUGITT - #476

Sunday, November 24, 1963, about 9:30 AM, Capt. Fritz directed Det. J. R. Leavelle, L. C. Graves and myself to go to the fifth floor jail and bring Lee Harvey Oswald to his office. We brought Oswald to Captain Fritz's office, where he was interrogated by Capt. Fritz, Mr. Kelly of the Secret Service, Mr. Sorrels of the Secret Service, and Mr. Holmes of the Postal Department. They talked to Oswald until about 11:10 AM. Chief Curry came into Capt. Fritz's office when the interrogation was going on. At the end of the interrogation, Capt. Fritz gave me the keys to his car, and told me to park it along the door from the jail office in the basement. I went to the basement and unlocked Capt. Fritz's car and proceeded to drive the car into the driveway. There was a plain black police car in front of me, and the officers who I could not recognize, drove this car up the ramp to Main Street exit. I was backing Capt. Fritz's car in front of the jail office, and was having trouble getting through the news reporters that had jammed the ramp driveway. While I was backing up, I was turned around in the seat looking back to keep from running over the reporters. Capt. Fritz came out of the jail door, followed by Det. J. R. Leavelle handcuffed to Oswald. Det. L. C. Graves was to Oswald's left. They were walking to the car while I was still moving the car back. Capt. Fritz opened the right rear door of the car I was driving, and I noticed a man move quickly across the right rear of the car. This man moved to Oswald and shot. I recognized this man as Jack Ruby, a man I had seen a few times before in previous years. When Ruby shot, Det. Graves grabbed the pistol Ruby had in his hand. The crowd of reporters closed in with the police officers, and I jumped out of the car, and went into the jail office.

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

December 5, 1963

Re: Interview with Nolan Dement
White Male - 19 years old
3301 Worth St.
TA 6-1490

Sir:

Mr. Dement was interviewed at his place of employment, Colonial Western Insurance Company, at approximately 1:30 p.m., December 5, 1963, to determine if he had been in the basement of the City Hall on the morning of the Oswald shooting and to know and determine if he had taken any pictures while there.

Mr. Dement stated he had not entered the basement of the City Hall; that he was on the Commerce Street side of the City Hall on the morning of the shooting; did not take any pictures and could not add anything of value to the investigation.

Respectfully submitted,


P. J. McCaghren

Lieutenant, Burglary & Theft Bureau


C. C. Wallace

Lieutenant, Juvenile Bureau

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Shortly after, approximately 11:15 A.M., Lieutenant Pierce approached me just outside the Jail Office and advised me to ride in the Armored Car and to give him two (2) officers to go with him in his car. I advised Sergeant Putnam to get an unassigned man (Sergeant Maxey) and go with Lieutenant Pierce.

I then went to the Armored Car and remained approximately five minutes until I heard the shot and saw the commotion at the bottom of the ramp which was approximately fifty (50) feet from me.

I immediately ran to the location to assist the officers with the crowd.

It was then, while the detectives had the suspect on the floor, that I recognized him (the suspect) as Jack Ruby.

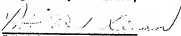
I knew Jack Ruby as the manager of the Carousel Club located in the 1300 block of Commerce. I met him while I was assigned as a sergeant on Zone 100 which includes the location of the Carousel Club.

At no time during the day had I seen Jack Ruby either in or around the City Hall. In fact I have not seen him for several months.

At approximately 12:00 Noon Chief Curry contacted me just outside his office and instructed me to escort Mr. Forrest V. Sorrells, Agent in charge of the local Secret Service, to the Fifth Floor Jail for Mr. Sorrells to interview Mr. Ruby.

After Mr. Sorrells interrogated the subject I questioned Ruby as to how he had entered the basement and the length of time he had been there. Ruby then stated to me in the presence of Sorrells that he had entered the basement through the ramp entering on Main Street. He further stated that he would estimate his total time as about three minutes before the detectives brought Oswald into his view, then he immediately shot him (Oswald).

Respectfully submitted,


Patrick T. Dean
Sergeant of Police
Patrol Division

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November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment Of Sergeant
Patrick T. Dean On
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963 at approximately 9:00 A.M., I was advised by Lieutenant R. S. Pierce to take a group of men and thoroughly search the garage portion of the basement. This assignment was in preparation and security purposes in the transfer of Harvey Lee Oswald, W/M/24, to the County Jail from the City Jail.

I then obtained thirteen (13) Reserve Officers from the Detail Room and with the aid of Sergeant J. A. Putnam, Officers L. E. Jez, and A. R. Brook we conducted a systematic search of the basement. The men were advised to check very carefully the cars, trucks, and the overhanging pipes, and air conditioning ducts. Before the search was started at the northern side of the basement, the following men were assigned at these locations:

B. G. Patterson
R. E. Vaughn
A. R. Brook
R. C. Nelson
Reserve Officer

Top of ramp on Commerce
Top of ramp on Main
Basement Elevators
Basement Entrance From City Hall
South Portion Of Basement At The
Engine Room Entrance

These men were advised to permit no one in the basement other than properly identified pressmen or law enforcement officers, and not to leave those assignments for any reason until relieved, by either myself or Sergeant Putnam.

The above assignments were later supplemented by the officers as follows:

L. E. Jez
L. C. Taylor

Top Commerce Street Ramp
Top Commerce Street Ramp

In addition numerous reserve officers (names of which I did not retain) were assigned to these locations.

At approximately 11:00 A.M. an armored car was backed into the Commerce Street Exit to the basement.

December 3, 1963

STATEMENT OF P. T. DEAN:

I know Jack Ruby and would recognize him on sight.

I did not see him in or about the City Hall prior to the shooting.

All other facts are covered in my report of November 26, 1963.

Question: - "What led you to believe this?"

Answer: - "This was stated in your previous interview." (Relating to the original interview of November 24, 1963.)

I then stated to Mr. Payne that I had never made such a statement to him or anyone to substantiate this conclusion. Mr. Payne then stated that he had read to me my original interview and I had confirmed all the statements in the article and that he could prove them. I advised him again that I had not, and then asked him where he had obtained a copy of my interview.

Mr. Payne then seemed to evade this question and asked me to let him call the person that had given him this assignment and that he would have him call me. I again asked him from whom he had received the assignment and he evaded again and then stated that he had not written the story, that he had only verified my previous interview. This was contradictory to his original statement, that he had written the story. He then asked me not to call the City Editor as he would contact him and advise him that I was protesting the article.

After asking him the third time Mr. Payne then stated Mr. Ken Smart (As I recollect, had assigned him the job.)

I then asked Mr. Payne if he didn't think such a statement on my part would jeopardize my job. He answered, "I imagine it would." I then thanked Mr. Payne and terminated the conversation.

At this time I contacted Captain C. E. Talbert and advised him that the article was relative to my conversation the previous day. Captain Talbert suggested I call Chief Fisher at home.

I tried to call Chief Fisher, also Chief Batchelor, and Chief Curry. I made no contact with anyone of these Chiefs. This was approximately 10:30 A.M.

I then called the Chief's offices downtown in an effort to locate one of them. Captain O. A. Jones answered and when I identified myself he (Captain Jones) advised me to come downtown, that he wanted to talk to me. I asked him was it regarding the article in the paper and he stated yes.

At no time during my conversations with Mr. Payne or anyone from the Times Herald was there any verbal abuse or altercation.

Respectfully submitted,

P. TREVORE DEAN
SERGEANT OF POLICE
PATROL DIVISION

Payne: - "Did you or had you seen this person prior to this time in or around the City Hall?"

Answer: - "No."

Payno: - "And you didn't see this person enter from the Main Street ramp?"

Answer: - "Definetely not."

Payne: - "Did you see anything at the time of the shooting?"

I assumed by this question that he meant a flash from the gunfire and I asked him was this what he meant and he said yes. I then advised him that I saw smoke from the blast, and I ran immediately to the scene to control the crowd.

This terminated his questions and I asked Mr. Payne the reason for him calling as all this was old news. He then stated he was just verifying this interview and that he didn't really know what the Times Herald was going to do with this information.

I made myself very clear to Mr. Payne that I had not seen Ruby at anytime before the shooting in or around the City Hall.

On Sunday when I arrived at my home I noticed the subject article and read same with much interest and reached the conclusion that this article possibly had evolved from the telephone conversation on the previous day.

I immediately called an acquaintance and friend that is employed by the Times Herald to ascertain the identity of the reporter and this person stated that he did not know who had written the article. I then noticed the name of a reporter in the same edition, Mr. Bob Henley, and I called him, identified myself and asked him if he could advise me who had written the article. Mr. Henley stated that he didn't know for sure and related several names of persons that would have been on duty and mentioned the name of this Darwin Payne. I recognized this as the person that had called me.

I then called Mr. Payne at his home, telephone WH 6-5892, and asked him if he had written the article and he stated that he did.

The following are questions and answers I asked of Mr. Payne during this telephone conversation.

Question: - "Why did you print that I had seen Ruby enter the basement?"

Mr. Payne then answered: - "Well, I thought that you had seen him."

December 8, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Information concerning article
published December 8, 1963,
Dallas Times Herald.

Sir:

W. T. Jones

On December 7, 1963, at approximately 1:30 P.M., I received a telephone call at my home from a person identifying himself as Darwin Payne, representative of the Dallas Times Herald.

Mr. Payne stated his reason for calling was to verify statements made by me to the Radio and Television News Media on November 24, 1963 shortly after the assassination of Lee Harvey Oswald (accused assassinator of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy.)

Mr. Payne then asked several questions pertaining to that interview of November 24, 1963. Mr. Payne's questions seemed to be verbatim of the interview in question.

I will quote them as near as possible as they were asked, in their sequence and also my answers, which were nearly always in the affirmative or negative.

Mr. Payne: - "Were you at the Armored Car when the shot was fired?"

Answer: - "Yes."

Payne: - "Did you see the person that fired the shot at the time it was fired?"

Answer: - "No."

Payne: - "Did you see the person that fired the shot shortly after it was fired?"

Answer: - "Yes."

Payne: - "Where? Was he inside the jail office and on the floor at that time?"

Answer: - "Yes - he was on the floor and being restrained and handcuffed by several plainclothes officers."

Payne: - "Did you recognize the subject at that time as a person you knew by sight?"

Answer: - "Yes."

November 30, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
Interview of Harold Dawson

Sir:

Harold Dawson was interviewed at 1:40pm on November 29, 1963 by Lieutenant G. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren. Dawson added the following to his original report:

I have re-read the statement I made November 27, 1963. The only correction I would like to make is in the time element, which occurred approximately 30 or 40 minutes earlier than I originally stated.

At approximately 11:15 I was dispatched to the basement of the City Hall by Lt. Smart to act as security for Lee Oswald. When we got to the basement, we waited in the jail corridor approximately 15 minutes. We then heard that Oswald was on his way down, and there were some photographers and reporters on the phone. I closed the doors and wouldn't let them come onto the corridor, so that no one could come in behind me. No one told me to close the doors.

When he was shot, I was at the same place. I heard the shot, but I couldn't see him or the man who shot him.

I would also like to add that I know Jack Ruby by sight and would recognize him if I saw him, but I have not seen him in the City Hall.

I have talked to Federal Bureau of Investigation Agent Carleon, and I explained to him that I had guessed at the time in my original report, and was probably in error.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

I should like to submit the following report of the events occurring in the basement on November 24, 1963.

I was on duty in the Auto Theft Bureau beginning at 8:00 a.m. I was told to stand by in the office until further notice. At approximately 11:45 a.m. all members of our bureau on duty, except the desk man, went to the basement of the City Hall and waited in the corridor just outside the jail office.

About fifteen minutes later the prisoner was brought down to the jail office and we heard he was being brought through the office. At this time I closed the double doors and held them, not allowing anyone through these doors as he was escorted out the door of the booking office.

I could see the prisoner for a few seconds through the doors glass partition. At this time I heard a shot, but could not see the prisoner or the person who fired the shot. The photographers in the corridor behind me had to make their pictures through the glass. Then the prisoner was taken back into the booking office until the ambulance arrived and he was placed in it with officers escorting him.

I did not see the man who fired the shot because he was hustled out of sight into the jail office and elevator. I did not see the man before or after the shot was fired, but heard the name Jack Ruby called out as the man who shot the prisoner.

I was told by Captain Jones to remain on this door until relieved and check everyone who entered or exited for their credentials, as Press Photographers, Press Reporters, and authorized Police and City of Dallas civilian personnel on duty. I was relieved about thirty minutes later by Lieutenant R. S. Pierce who said I could return to my office.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. Dawson

H. L. Dawson
Detective
Criminal Investigation Division

November 26, 1963

Captain J. M. Solomon
Dallas Police Reserve Coordinator
Dallas Police Department
2828 Shorecrest Drive
Dallas 35, Texas

Dear Captain Solomon:

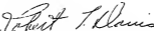
I reported for duty in the Assembly Room, Sunday, November 24, 1963, at approximately 8:30 AM. I waited in the Assembly Room until I was assigned to help search the basement garage. I searched cars in spaces one through 16 and the two cars beside the outbound ramp. I also crawled behind the air conditioning machinery beside the outbound ramp to make sure no one was there. I was then assigned to the corner of Commerce and Harwood with Reserve Officer Harold Jacobs and was instructed to allow no one to pass down the north sidewalk of Commerce unless they were police officers or had a "press card."

I stopped traffic at this intersection to allow the armored car turn from Harwood on to Commerce. I was standing on the northeast corner of Commerce and Harwood when the shooting took place.

A few seconds after the shot was fired, a detective ran out and instructed us to seal off all exits. I proceeded to the Harwood exit and there Sgt. Putman and I apprehended a suspect who was running down the hall on the Court's floor of City Hall. I put my handcuffs on him, took him to the Homicide Bureau and stayed with him for about 30 minutes. Detectives then released the suspect and me and I returned to the Assembly Room.

I did not see Ruby until about 6:00 PM when I reported to the 5th Floor Jail to guard him with Reserve Officer D. J. McDonald. Until that time I had never met Mr. Ruby.

Yours truly,


Robert T. Davis
Reserve Officer #957

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Robert T. Davis, 957 ✓

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Robert T. Davis was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 26, 1963.

After having read his original report, Davis stated that there is nothing of significance which he could add to this first report.

Davis further states that at this time he has not been contacted by any federal agency.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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James R. Davidson - 4708 Wedgewood, Belaire, Texas - MO 4-3206

I don't recall any of the other press representatives that were present in or around the area where Oswald was shot.

When I entered the basement on Sunday morning, November 24, 1963, my credentials were checked by a police officer as we left the elevator. I did not have any identification pinned on my clothes. I was in and out of the basement 2 or 3 times during the morning of November 24, 1963. My credentials were checked each time I returned to the jail office area.

I have been interviewed by an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS

James R. Davidson
DAY OF November A.D. 1963

Ruby Smith RUBY SMITH
Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

James R. Davidson - 4708 Wedgewood, Belaire, Texas - MO 4-3206

Warren Ferguson and I then set up in the hall just outside the jail office where I could get a picture of Oswald through the jail office window as he left the elevator. We stayed here until the officers brought Oswald off the elevator and through the jail office door into the entrance to the parking area. I got some movie film of Oswald and the officers leaving the elevator and going through the jail office. I then followed through the double doors into the entry area to the parking area. I was outside the double doors taking sound movie at the time the shot was fired. There were a number of people between me and Oswald and these people blocked my line of vision so I did not get a good shot of Oswald. Warren Ferguson was with me during this time. A cluster of officers re-entered the jail office and I backed into the hallway just outside the jail office and took shots of the activity in the jail office through the jail office window. After the jail office was cleared, I went inside and received permission from a lieutenant to photograph the inside of the jail office.

Either a UPI or a CBS cameraman was in the jail office prior to 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, November 24, 1963. His sound crew was with him, but at about 10:30 a.m. the sound crew was sent to cover an interview with Mrs. Connally at Parkland. The UPI or CBS cameraman had a Bolex hand camera and until we were cleared from the jail office, he stood at the East counter inside the jail office. A two man NEC crew was also in the jail office standing at the same counter with the UPI or CBS man. When the jail office was cleared the NEC crew and the UPI or CBS man moved to the corridor outside the jail office with me and all of us were taking pictures through the same window.

As soon as the NEC crew had photographed Oswald leaving the elevator, they took their equipment and ran down the corridor inside the Police and Courts Building toward Commerce Street to attempt to obtain a picture of Oswald being driven to the County Jail.

The UPI or CBS man after photographing Oswald coming off the elevator ran out the double doors entering the basement parking area ahead of Oswald. I understand he got pictures of the shooting and that he got knocked down during the melee.

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME,

Ruby Smith

NOTARY PUBLIC

NOTARY PUBLIC

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared James R. Davidson - 4708 Wedgewood, Belaire, Texas - NO 4-3206

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

I was in Dallas to cover the assassination of President Kennedy. I was called by ABC of New York on Friday afternoon, November 22 to represent them. I arrived in Dallas about 7:15 p.m. Friday, November 22, 1963. My crew and I were set up on the third floor of the Police and Courts Building most the time. Warren Ferguson - free lance - sound man - 5406 Windswept, Houston, MO 5-6461, was the sound man and Bill Lord, Staff Reporter for ABC - New York, 7 West 66th Street, New York, 36, was in control. We worked from the third floor of the Police and Courts Building Friday night, all day Saturday and most of Saturday night. Since the shooting of Oswald Sunday morning, November 24, 1963, I have seen Ruby personally while photographing him and have also seen pictures of him. To the best of my knowledge, I never saw Jack Ruby prior to the shooting of Oswald on Sunday, November 24, 1963.

On Sunday morning, Bill Lord moved us to the jail office to cover the transfer of Oswald to the County Jail. This was about 8:30 a.m. From 8:30 a.m. until about 10:00 a.m. I spent most of the time standing on a shelf with a camera waiting for Oswald to come out of the elevator. This shelf is on the last wall of the jail office.

Warren Ferguson was with me as the sound man. Bill Lord had been called to one of the pay phones just outside the jail office and he remained on this phone to New York to keep the line open before and during the shooting of Oswald.

At about 10:00 a.m. an officer came into the jail office and stated we would have to clear the room. Everyone but the police personnel were removed.

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6. Have you seen the person you described in your statement around the city hall before? Did not answer this question.
7. Have you given a true description of the person you stated you saw enter the basement of the city hall?
Answer: Yes Indication: False
8. Did you actually see the person you described enter the basement of the city hall?
Answer: Yes Indication: False
9. Did you get a good look at this person?
Answer: Yes Indication: False

Most of the above questions were repeated on other charts with the same answers given and same indications noted.

Respectfully submitted,

P. L. Bentley
P. L. Bentley
Detective of Police
Identification Bureau

PLB/mel

December 12, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Polygraph examination given to
N. J. Daniels C/M/32

Sir:

At 3:10 P.M., December 11, 1963, a polygraph examination was given to N. J. Daniels.

This examination was given to determine if Mr. Daniels was telling the truth in the statement he had given.

During the pre-test interview with Mr. Daniels, he stated that he was sure the person he stated he had seen enter the city hall basement was not Jack Ruby. He stated that he was shown a picture of Jack Ruby and that Ruby did not look like the person he stated that he had seen. He was very confused during this interview and stated he was not sure of anything in his statement. He also stated that he felt like the squad he saw come out of the basement had enough time to get to the county jail before this person entered the basement of the city hall.

He was then placed on the polygraph and the following pertinent questions were asked and answers given.

1. Have you told the complete truth in the statement you gave?
Answer: Yes Indication: False
2. Have you deliberately made up any of this story?
Answer: No Indication: False
3. Do you think the person you stated you saw enter the basement at that time was Jack Ruby?
Answer: No Indication: True
4. Did you actually see the person you described come from the direction of the Western Union?
Answer: Yes Indication: False -
5. Do you think this person entered the basement of the city hall after the squad drove out? Did not answer this question.

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

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BEFORE ME, Ann Schreiber

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared N. J. Daniels

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Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

nor even being aware that he was passing, but I know that he saw him. It struck me odd at the time that Officer Vaughn did not say something to this man. Approximately two minutes after this man had walked down the ramp I saw quite a bit of movement in the basement outside the jail office and then I heard a shot. From the time that I first spoke to Officer Vaughn until I heard the shot, which was approximately a period of twenty-five minutes, at no time did I see anyone leave or enter the basement of the city hall from the ramp entrance on Main Street except one squad car which contained three officers and this one unknown white man who entered. On Monday, November 25, 1963, at approximately 9:00 A.M., Officer Vaughn called me on the telephone at home and asked me if I had noticed anyone going into the basement while Lieutenant Pierce was coming out, I told him "no" I did not. He told me he was bothered about the possibility that someone could have gone in there while Lieutenant Pierce and the other two officers were coming out in the squad car. I told him "no, I did not." But I did not mention the other fellow I saw go in because I was sure he had seen him.

N. J. Daniels

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 29 DAY OF November

A.D. 1963

Ann Schreiber
Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

ANN SCHREIBER

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME, Ann Schreiber

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared N. J. Daniels,

2229 Sutter, Dallas, Texas, FR 4-6179.

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says: On Sunday, November 24, at approximately 11:00 A.M., I came up to the Main Street ramp to the basement of the city hall. I was standing on the Western Union side of the ramp and I spoke to Officer Vaughn, he was on duty at that location. Officer Vaughn was standing in the center of the ramp keeping people from entering the basement of the city hall. I had been standing there several minutes when a squad car drove up the ramp with three officers inside, they drove on to Main Street and turned west on Main. At this time Officer Vaughn stepped out into the middle of Main Street and stopped the west bound traffic on Main so this squad car could make its turn on Main Street. For a brief moment while Officer Vaughn was blocking traffic, the ramp entrance at this location was left unguarded. I was standing at the east corner of the ramp and turned to watch Officer Vaughn stop the traffic. From the position where I was standing it was impossible for anyone to walk behind me and gain entrance into the basement. I did not notice anyone walk in front of me and go into the basement. At this time I was thinking to myself that if I saw anyone go in I would so advise Officer Vaughn. After stopping traffic for this squad car Officer Vaughn took up his duties in the middle of the ramp. Several minutes later I stepped out towards the street so that I could have a better view down the ramp. As I did so I noticed a white male, approximately 50 years of age, 5'10", weighing about 155-160#, wearing a dark (blue or brown) single breasted suit, white shirt, and dark colored tie, this man was not wearing a hat, he had light colored hair thinning on top, round face, kind of small head, fair complexion, he was not wearing an overcoat nor was he carrying one but he did have his right hand inside of his right suit coat pocket, approaching the ramp from the direction of the Western Union. This person walked in the ramp and into the basement going between Officer Vaughn and the east side of the building. Officer Vaughn at this time was standing at the top of the ramp in the middle of it facing towards Main. I did not see Officer Vaughn challenge this person nor did he show any signs of recognizing him,

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____ A.D. 196

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

December 3, 1963

Re: Interview with Mr. N. J. Daniels, ✓
2229 Sutter

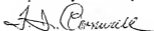
Sir:

On November 29, 1963, Mr. N. J. Daniels was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald and if he could give any information as to how Jack Ruby gained entrance to the basement of the City Hall.

A lengthy interview was held with Mr. Daniels and an affidavit-in-fact taken - copy attached.

Mr. N. J. Daniels stated at the time of this interview that he had not been contacted by any Federal agency.

Respectfully submitted,



F. I. Cornwall
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau



Jack Revill
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau

Enclosure: Affidavit

November 24, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Sir:

At the time that Oswald was being brought down from the jail, I was stationed next to the door leading to the jail office. Prior to Oswald coming out, a T. V. Camera was pushed out of the basement lobby into the basement. There were three men pushing the camera. The man with the green shirt was on the right and the man with the black rain coat was on the left. The third person was in the center and had on a dark suit. He was bent over low behind the camera pushing on the base. The camera was pushed down the ramp into the parking area but was not hooked up. After the shooting the camera was being pushed up the ramp by two men. The man in the dark suit was not one of them. I stopped the two men and asked them where the other man was that helped them push the camera out. They stated that no one was with them.

After the shot, I jumped on the man and had him by the left arm. I held this position till we reached the jail office door where I had to release my hold so they could get inside the jail office. After they got inside I stood guard on the door.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Cutchshaw
W. J. Cutchshaw
Detective, ID#1111
Juvenile Bureau
Criminal Investigation Division

W. J. Cutchshaw

November 30, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
Interview of W. J. Cutchshaw

Sir:

W. J. Cutchshaw was interviewed at 2:00 pm this date by Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren. This interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. W. J. Cutchshaw added the following:

I have been asked if I know Jack Ruby. I have met Ruby, but I do not recognize him by sight. After assisting in the arrest, I was told that this man was Jack Ruby and that he owned the Carceel Club.

I have not seen the person who shot Oswald in the City Hall before or prior to the shooting.

I was interviewed in Juvenile Bureau at approximately 7:00 by The Federal Bureau of Investigation Agent Bookout.

Respectfully submitted,

C C Wallace

C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 8:35 A. M.
2. I reported to Lt. Merrell (Assembly Room)
3. I was assigned to the basement and Jail Office entrance, and my assignment was that of a guard.
4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are:
Res. Capt. C. O. Arnett, Res. Lt. B. C. McCoy, Res. Lt. D. T. Suits,
Res. Lt. H. M. Kriss, Res. Officer Gano Worley.
5. Did you know Ruby? Yes and no (see next statement)
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?

Approximately three years ago, Jack Ruby bought myself and two other officers breakfast at Lucas E&B Cafe on Oak Lawn at 3:00 A. M. I have not seen this man since, however I have been in his club on several occasions when riding observation.

Signed


Kenneth Hudson Croy, Reserve Sergeant.

December 3, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Interview of Reserve Police Officer
Sergeant Kenneth Croy

Sir:

On December 1, 1963, Reserve Sergeant Croy was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 26, 1963.

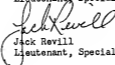
During this interview pertinent facts were uncovered and an affidavit was given by Mr. Croy concerning this. This affidavit is attached to this report.

Reserve Officer Sergeant Croy stated that he had not been interviewed by any Federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,



F. I. Cornwall
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau



Jack Revill
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau

Enclosure: Affidavit

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 9:30 A. M.
2. I reported to Lt. Merrell in Assembly Room.
3. I was assigned to the portion of the driveway that leads from the ramps to the parking area. I was at this post as guard from about 9:45 to 10:00 A. M. I was then assigned to assist Officer Nelson in the corridor where the barred windows open into the jail office. I was at this place till about 30 minutes after the shooting.
4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are:
Capt. Talbert, two detectives (names unknown), and Reserve Lt. Merrell.
5. Did you know Ruby? No.
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?

I got a glimpse of him in the jail office, but kept my eyes on the people in the basement.

Signed: A. B. Craig

A. B. Craig

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Alvin B. Craig, 285

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Alvin B. Craig was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 27, 1963.

After having read his original report, Craig states that there is nothing of significance which he could add to this first report.

Craig further states that at this time he has not been contacted by and federal agency.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 10:00 A. M.
2. I reported to Lt. Ben McCoy
3. I was assigned to Commerce Street on South side to keep crowd under control, and on the South sidewalk.
4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are:
Reserve Sergeants J. R. Hopkins and Mayo.
5. Did you know Ruby?
Yes, I worked at Vegas Club for Special Service about nine years ago.
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?
Did not see Ruby at anytime on Sunday, November 24, 1963.

Signed

Roland A. Cox
Roland A. Cox

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

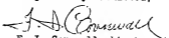
Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Sergeant Roland A. Cox, 803

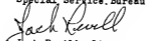
On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Sergeant Roland A. Cox was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald not covered in his original report dated November 26, 1963.

After having read his original report, Cox stated that he could not add anything of significance to this first report.

Cox further states that he has not been contacted by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,


F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau


Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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W. J. Cutchshaw #1111, Capt. C. E. Talbert #463, Lt. W. L. Wiggins #434, Chief Chas. Batchelor #11, Lt. G. E. Butler #51, Lt. R. E. Swain #531, C. W. Brown #759, Capt. J. W. Fritz #9.

I did not observe anyone that I knew who did not belong in the basement. Everyone that I saw were either police or people I thought to be newsmen. I did not observe Jack Ruby until just seconds before the shooting.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. Combet
B. H. Combet #1148,
Detective, Vice Section
Special Service Bureau

WJD

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee
Harvey Oswald

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, I was working regular hours of 8:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. in the Special Service Bureau, Vice Section.

At approximately 10:50 A.M., I was in the basement of City Hall near the jail office. I was engaged in conversation with Detective B. L. Beaty and Officer J. D. Hutchinson. We were approached by Captain O. A. Jones. Captain Jones told us to remain in the basement near the jail office. He further stated that all the other available officers in City Hall would be down into the basement soon.

I overheard Sergeant J. A. Putnam reiterate his orders to the officer and the reserve officer working the passageway leading out of the basement into the parking basement. He stated very emphatically to the officer that no one but police and press members with press passes were to be admitted to the parking basement.

A short time later several officers and detectives came down from upstairs. Captain Jones took all officers out into the passageway just outside the jail office. He told all of us that we were to form a line on each side of the passageway in order to make a lane for the prisoner Oswald to be escorted. He told some officers to get all the newsmen out of the jail office booking room. He then cleared the passageway immediately outside the jail office. At this time Sergeant J. A. Putnam asked all the newsmen to move to the far side of the driveway, this being the side across from the jail office. Captain Jones then told officers to keep the lines that we had and for officers to fall in behind and to keep newsmen from rushing in.

Besides the above listed officers, other officers that I remember to be in the basement were:

R. L. Lowery #1081, Chief M. W. Stevenson #16, T. D. McMillon #1349, W. E. Chambers #1087, Sgt. P. T. Dean #882, L. D. Montgomery #1047, J. R. Leavelle #736, L. C. Graves #702, C. M. Dhority #476, Charles Goolsby #1141, W. J. Harrison #579, L. D. Miller #1236, Capt. F. M. Martin #397,

November 29, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Detective B. H. Combest, 1148

On November 29, 1963 Detective B. H. Combest was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in Combest's original report dated November 26, 1963.

Detective Combest stated, after reading his original report, that he had nothing of significance to add. He stated that he had known Ruby for several years, but that he did not see him in the basement prior to the shooting.

Detective Combest states that he has not been interviewed by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

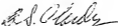
F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

3 Slide prints

November 27, 1963

and myself. We talked to a lawyer for about two minutes. Before he was returned to the fifth floor, he was checked by a city doctor who was on duty at this time. We returned to the fifth floor and F. B. I. Agent Hall continued to question Ruby until Homicide Detective E. L. Boyd, Detective M. G. Hall, and Detective Montgomery arrived on the fifth floor at about 2:30 p.m. Along with the three Homicide officers and Agent Hall we escorted the prisoner to the Homicide Bureau.

Respectfully submitted,



B. S. Clardy
Detective
Criminal Investigation Division

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

I would like to submit the following report regarding the incident occurring in the basement on November 24, 1963.

On the morning of November 24, 1963 while on duty in the Auto Theft Bureau, Lieutenant Smart advised me not to leave the City Hall as I was to be available when the prisoner was escorted from the City Jail. About 10:00 a.m. Lieutenant Smart advised me and the other officers in the bureau to report to the jail office. Upon arrival I took a position near the southwest corner near the driveway. A couple of minutes before the prisoner was brought down, I had looked over the crowd, and, at this time, I did not see Jack Ruby in the crowd. I have known Jack Ruby for eight to ten years, and if I had seen him I would have recognized him.

As word was heard that the subject was being brought down, I was watching the driveway to the basement and to the driveway to Commerce Street where the armored truck was. I saw a fast blur of movement out of the corner of my left eye, and, before I could turn, I heard a shot. As I turned I partly lost my footing and was bumped by people from both sides at the same time. Before I could get balanced, the subject, Jack Ruby, was under a pile of officers.

I helped others try to keep the press back until both the prisoner and Jack Ruby were taken inside the jail office. I then went to the jail office, and at that time Detective J.C. Watson was at the door keeping other people from entering. Detective McMillon, Detective Archer, Detective Blackie Harrison, and Lieutenant Smart, and another officer were holding Jack Ruby on the floor. I took Detective McMillon's gun and placed his gun and my gun in the locker. Then Detective McMillon, Detective Archer, Detective Blackie Harrison, and myself took Jack Ruby directly to the fifth floor where we searched him. Then I took the handcuffs off and gave them to Detective McMillon as they were his cuffs. We then stripped Jack Ruby to his skin and searched his clothing completely.

Lieutenant Baker of homicide had been contacted and requested that we stay with the prisoner until the arrival of officers from the Homicide Bureau. Detective Harrison had left after helping take the prisoner up. Detective McMillon, Detective Archer, and myself were with the prisoner. Mr. Sorells of the Secret Service came to the jail office and talked to him briefly and left. Then F.B.I. Agent Hall came up and talked to Jack Ruby for some time, probably two hours or better.

A jailer came back and told us that a lawyer was to see Jack Ruby and it had been okayed by the Homicide Bureau. I am not sure which jailer this was. We took the prisoner to the fourth floor, Detective Archer, Detective McMillon, F.B.I. Agent Hall, one of the jailers,

December 1, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
Interview of B. S. Clardy ✓

Sir:

B. S. Clardy was interviewed by Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 9:20 am on November 30, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by B. S. Clardy:

After the shot was fired, I went to the 5th floor with the prisoner. He was being questioned by several officers, and as I recall, the officers were Glenn King, Sgt. P. T. Dean, and Mr. Sorrels of the Secret Service. When asked why he did it, he replied, "Somebody had to do it, ya'll couldn't."

When asked how he got in, he said that he walked by the officer on the ramp when he turned to talk to Ric Pierce, who drove out the entrance. He said he heard somebody yell, "Hey you." He didn't know where it came from, so he ducked his head and kept walking.

He also told us that he sent \$25.00 by wire to a girl in Ft. Worth.

He said also that it was a spur of the moment thing and it was a million to one chance that he got down there at the actual time Oswald was brought down.

I have been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. They talked to me Monday around 2:30. I gave them the same information I have given here.

Respectfully submitted,

C C Wallace

C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

Abm McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

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November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Incident involving Lee Harvey
Oswald

Sir:

On November 24, 1963, at approximately 11:15 A. M., I was standing in the basement of the Police building as part of a security guard. I was standing about five feet from the door of the jail. Mr. Oswald was led by me and I was attempting to keep people away from him. I was standing just behind Mr. Oswald and saw a flash and heard a shot. I saw Mr. Oswald fall and this man was then facing me but he was crouched over. I caught a glimpse of a pistol he had in his right hand. I attempted to get the pistol and grabbed his arm. At that instant someone else grabbed the pistol and several other officers were helping to subdue him.

We then took the suspect into the jail office and searched him. Some other officers placed him on the jail elevator and I was ordered to go to Parkland Hospital to help the officers there.

Respectfully,


W. E. Chambers
Detective 1007.
Forgery Bureau

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December 1, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
Interview of W. E. Chambers

Sir:

W. E. Chambers was interviewed by Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 4:05 pm on November 29, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by W. E. Chambers:

I have been asked if I know Jack Ruby. I do not know him. I was standing beside the jail office door and was guarding it. There was a large group of people coming and going. I was told by Captain Jones to keep the press personnel away from the prisoner. I was there approximately 15 minutes before Oswald was brought down.

After the shot was fired, I helped subdue the suspect, who I later found out to be Jack Ruby. I assisted in removing Ruby to the jail office. Later I helped carry and load Oswald in the ambulance.

I overheard Detective Cutchshaw talking to two TV cameramen. Cutchshaw was saying that three of the cameramen came in with the camera and there were only two at the present time. The question was, where was the other man. I related this information to Captain King.

I have not been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Arthur W. Capps, 258

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Arthur W. Capps was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald not covered in his original report dated November 26, 1963.

Patrolman Capps stated that at his place of assignment no one was allowed to pass except police officers. Two men in civilian dress were stopped by him as they were walking toward the City Hall. One of these men was identified as a Police Sergeant and the other as a Patrolman assigned to the Accident Prevention Bureau, but he could not identify himself as he had left his identification at home. Before this officer was allowed to pass he was identified as being a Policeman by Officer Patterson. These were the only two people dressed in civilian clothes who were allowed to pass through Police lines at his location.

Capps further states that he has not been contacted by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall

F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 9:45 A. M.
2. I reported to Assembly Room.
3. I was assigned to North side of Commerce Street in front of City Hall and Credit Union to keep side walk clear. I was at this location at the time of the shooting.
4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are:
Reserve Officer Wayne Harrison.
5. Did you know Ruby? No.
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?
Did not see Ruby at all.

Signed:

Arthur Capps
Arthur Capps

November 30, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
V. C. Campbell

Sir:

V. C. Campbell was interviewed by Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 11:30 am on November 30, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by V. C. Campbell:

I have known Jack Ruby for about 5 years. I did not see him in the basement of the City Hall prior to the shooting, and do not recall seeing him in the City Hall before.

I have no idea how he got into the basement of the City Hall.

I have not been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

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November 27, 1963

J. A. Curry
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Information regarding the
murder of Lee Oswald

Sir:

On November 24, 1963 at approximately 11:00am, I was assigned by Lt. Swain to the basement hallways around the Records Bureau.

I was standing by the last window on the left of the jail office observing the people gathered there, when Oswald was brought down.

Just as he was taken out the jail office door leading to the drive, I heard what sounded like a shot.

I then saw Detectives Conbest, Graves, and Lavelle attempting to get Oswald, who was down, back into the jail office.

As I attempted to assist with Oswald the rush of the others bringing in the suspect carried me into the jail office.

I then attempted to assist with Oswald until we placed him on the ambulanor stretcher.

After the ambulance left Lt. McKinney ordered me to Parkland Hospital. I stood guard at the West end of the second floor operating room the remainder of the day.

Respectfully submitted,


V. C. Campbell
Detective
Burglary & Theft Bureau

VCC/lh

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Sometime around 11:00 A. M. on November 24, 1963 Captain Frank Martin came into the Juvenile Bureau and asked that Detectives Lowery, Coolsby, Miller, Cutchshaw, Harrison and myself follow him to the City Hall basement. We did so. The basement was crowded with officers, newspaper, radio and television people. We proceeded to the area just outside the basement door that adjoins the parking area. We reported to Captain O. A. Jones who assigned the Detectives where he wanted them.

Shortly after our arrival an armored car backed partially on to the basement ramp on the Commerce Street side. Chief Batchelor, Sergeant P. T. Dean and myself proceeded to search the armored car. Nothing was found. I instructed officers on the Commerce Street exit not to let anyone in or out of the basement until we advised them otherwise.

Sergeant Dean and Chief Batchelor then left me with the armored car. Sergeant Dean returned and said his boss told him to ride inside the truck with the prisoner.

Shortly afterwards an unmarked police car drove on to the ramp from the basement area. This car parked near the jail door entrance on the ramp. I was aware from the excitement of the crowd that Lee Oswald was in sight but could not see anything for the police car between us. Next a shot was heard. I ran down, yelling to the officers not to let anyone out of the basement

I was advised by someone that Jack Ruby had shot Oswald. In a very short time an ambulance came and removed Oswald.

Just prior to my taking my position on the armored car, I had looked over the crowd carefully that was gathered near the door. I have known Jack Ruby for years but did not see him at that time. This observation made approximately ten minutes before the shooting.

Respectfully,

George Butler
Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

December 1, 1963

STATEMENT OF LT. GEORGE BUTLER:

I did see Jack Ruby in the City Hall, Friday; but, I did not see him in or near the City Hall on Sunday prior to the shooting.

November 30, 1963

STATEMENT OF PATRICK T. R. BURTON:

I left the City Hall basement for my traffic assignment, Commerce and Central Expressway, at approximately 11:00 A. M., and did not return prior to the shooting.

I met Jack Ruby about 1956, when he was operating the Vegas Club, and I was working that district.

I did not see Ruby in or about the City Hall. I have not seen Ruby in two or three years.

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment of Officer
T. R. Burton, #1308
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963 at approximately 9:20 A.M. I was instructed to report to Station 511, along with my partner D.K. Erwin. I arrived at Station 511 about 9:40 A.M.

I stayed on Station 511 until approximately 10:15 A.M., when I was advised to report to the basement.

Sgt. P. T. Dean assigned me to Commerce and Central Expressway as my traffic assignment. I left immediately and stayed on my traffic assignment until Captain Talbort stopped, with my partner, and advised us to report to Parkland Memorial Hospital, Code 2.

Respectfully submitted,

T. R. Burton
T. R. Burton
Patrolman #1308
Patrol Division

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November 27, 1963

J.E. Curry
Chief of Police

6:01 PM to 7:13 PM

SUBJECT: Information Concerning the
Murder of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

At approximately 11:00 or 11:15a.m., I was instructed by Lieutenant Swain to leave the Burglary and Theft Bureau and report to the area near the information desk to assist in any manner needed in the transfer of Lee Harvey Oswald and await further instruction.

I rode down the elevator with several other detectives and a WBAP-TV camera and two newsmen with this camera.

I walked off the elevator and took a post near the jail office window to observe the crowd of photographers and newsmen who were in this area.

I was standing near the jail office window when the prisoner was escorted through the jail office. When he walked out of my view and out of the jail office, I walked toward the basement doors. I heard a shot and ran into the basement.

Several officers were pulling the prisoner and another man toward the jail office door, and I heard one of them call to get a doctor.

I heard a Supervisory officer state, "Secure the basement." I ran around the officers and prisoners and up the ramp entrance on the north side to prevent any one from entering or leaving the basement.

Respectfully submitted,

D.L. Burgess
D.L. Burgess 1412, Detective
Burglary and Theft Bureau

November 30, 1963

J. B. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
Interview of D. L. Burgess

Sir:

D. L. Burgess was interviewed by Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 5:55pm on November 29, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by D. L. Burgess:

I have been asked if I know Jack Ruby. I do not know this man. I did not see this subject in the basement prior to the shooting, and have not seen him around City Hall.

I do not know how the subject got into the basement of the City Hall.

I have not been interviewed by anyone regarding this incident prior to this date.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace
Lieutenant of Juvenile Bureau
Dallas Police Department

P. G. McCaghren
Lieutenant of Burglary & Theft Bureau
Dallas Police Department

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C. M. TOWN - 1759

On the 24th of November, 1963, I reported to work at 7:00 am driving Squad Car #376. After an interview of the suspect, Lee Harvey Oswald, by Captain Fritz, I was told to get my car and get in position in front of the other squad that was to carry Oswald to the County Jail. At approximately 11:40 am, I went to the City Hall basement and drove my car about half way up the south ramp, which leads out to Commerce Street, and my partner, Dhority, moved the other squad car up behind me. We both started attempting to back up to the jail office door when I heard a shot. I immediately put the emergency brake on and ran back to the other car. By this time, other officers had removed Lee Harvey Oswald and Jack Ruby into the jail office. I went back to my car and moved it back into the parking area so the ambulance could get through. When the ambulance arrived, Captain Fritz, Pats. F. E. Beck, L. E. Montgomery and I proceeded behind the ambulance to Parkland Hospital and set up security, first in the Emergency Room, then to the fourth floor, where Oswald underwent surgery. After Oswald died at 1:07 pm, the body was removed to the X-ray room on the ground floor. Judge Pierce McFride was contacted via telephone, and he reverted to the morgue desk and gave authorization for a post mortem to be performed by Dr. Pace of the Parkland Staff. Dr. Rose took charge of the body, and I went with him and got the wife and mother of Oswald from the waiting room and let them view the body in the X-ray room. After the relatives viewed the body, I accompanied it along with my partner, C. N. Dhority, and Dr. Pace to the Morgue. At the Morgue, Dhority and I witnessed the preliminary photos taken of the body by Dr. Pace and his staff. After this, I returned to the office and continued our investigative work there.

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 11:25 A. M.
2. I reported to Assembly Room - Lt. Norrell.
3. Assignment - Lt. Norrell told me every one was busy searching and guarding the basement, that Oswald was about to be brought down. I went from the Assembly Room to the area and just as I was about to open the doors that lead into the parking area, it happened. I heard the shot. I had caught a glimpse of them bringing Oswald from the elevator. Then, I joined a group of Reserves in sealing off the area leading into the jail office where they took Oswald and Ruby. I don't believe any regular officer was there with us, but we sensed that the reporters and cameras should not be allowed to push their way into the jail office.
4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are:
Lt. Norrell, A. R. Craig, and others I do not know their names.
5. Did you know Ruby? No.
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?
Never could see him.

Signed: J. D. Brockway
J. D. Brockway

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Jimmy D. Brockway, 398

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Jimmy D. Brockway was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 27, 1963.

The only discrepancy found in his original report is that he reported on duty at approximately 11:10 a.m. instead of 11:25 a.m. as originally reported. He further stated that he entered the Police and Courts Building via the basement doors on the Commerce Street side and that there was no one on duty at these doors. However, he stated that there was a reserve officer on duty on the sidewalk just outside these doors. Brockway does not remember who this reserve officer was.

Brockway further states that he has not been contacted by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

Jack Reville
Jack Reville, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment of Officer
Alvis R. Brock, #1661
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

On November 24, 1963 at about 9 A.M. I was advised to report to 511. At approximately 9:25 A.M. Lt. Pierce told me to report to Sgt. Dean in the Basement.

Sgt. Putnam assigned me to the elevators on the East side of the Basement. My instructions were to let no one but Police Officers and Newsmen into the basement and to check I.D. on everyone. There were several city employees standing in this area looking. I told these people to leave and advised the elevator operator to keep the elevator on the first floor. The only person using the elevator after this was a T.V. man who went to the fifth floor and returned. The elevator operator was told not to answer the buzzer to the Basement again. I remained at this assignment until about 10:45 when Sgt. Dean and Sgt. Putnam called several of us together for traffic assignments.

I was assigned to Elm and Ervay to stop traffic and reported immediately to this location. I remained there until about 11:30 A.M., when my partner picked me up and we reported to Parkland Hospital for assignment.

Respectfully submitted,

Alvis R. Brock
Patrolman, #1661
Patrol Division

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November 29, 1963

Statement of A. N. Hinkel:

At approximately 10:45 A. M., I left the City Hall Basement and was assigned to traffic at Elm and Erway.

I know Jack Ruby by sight, but I did not see him at the City Hall on this date.

November 30, 1963

J. D. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
D. G. Brantley

Sir:

D. G. Brantley was interviewed by Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 9:35 am on November 30, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by D. G. Brantley:

I have been asked if I know Jack Ruby, and I do. I did not see him in the basement of the City Hall prior to the shooting. I never have seen him in the City Hall. The first time I saw him after the shooting was when they were taking him to the jail office.

I have no idea how this person Jack Ruby got into the basement of the City Hall.

On my original report dated November 27, 1963, I stated that I was accompanied on the elevator by Detective McGee. I also recall that Detectives Burgess and Van Cleave were on the elevator. Detective McGee and I helped two WBAP television cameramen push their camera off the elevator.

I have not been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or anyone else regarding this incident.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

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Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

December 5, 1963

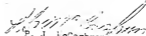
Re: Interview with Robert Hankal
4233 Travis, Apartment 214
KRLD-TV

Sir:

Mr. Hankal was interviewed at approximately 4:20 p.m., December 4, 1963. He was operating with CBS-Live Camera on the East side of the driveway. Mr. Hankal stated he did not know Jack Ruby and being busy with the camera, he had no opportunity to see him until the time the shot was being fired. Mr. Hankal stated his identification had been checked when he entered the basement.

We contacted Mr. Fritz Kuler of KRLD-TV and made arrangements to obtain the pictures taken by Robert Hankal. They should be ready sometime today.

Respectfully submitted,



P. J. McCaghen
Lieutenant, Burglary & Theft Bureau



C. C. Wallace
Lieutenant, Juvenile Bureau

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November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Special Assignment Of Officer
T. R. Gregory #1843 On
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

At 9:00 A.M., Sunday, November 24, 1963 I was working Squad 93 with Officer H. J. Wages. We received a call to report to Station 511. We arrived at Station 511 at 9:25 A.M. and remained there until 9:50 A.M.

At that time we were told to go to the basement of the City Hall. There I was assigned to the corner of Central and Elm Streets. I was to stop all traffic at that corner when the Special Detail flashed its lights at me, and then follow behind to the County Jail to help with the crowd control.

At approximately 11:50 A.M. we were told to report to Parkland Hospital for an assignment there.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas R. Gregory
Thomas R. Gregory
Patrolman #1843
Patrol Division

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November 29, 1963

STATEMENT OF T. R. GREGORY.

I left the City Hall at approximately 10:50 a.m. for my traffic assignment at Central and Elm Streets.

I do not know Jack Ruby and never heard of him until this incident.

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AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME,

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

I, Sgt. in law detective, assisted the man to the floor and I heard Capt. Talbert yell to block off all exits and entrances to the basement. I went to the doors leading out of the basement by the rear desk and wouldn't let anyone in or out. I remained here until Capt. Jones sent me to the 3rd floor with a group of eight other detectives and Lt. Mc to guard exits and entrances to the third floor where Oswald had been taken. I remained on this assignment until relieved at about 3:00 pm

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____

DAY OF _____

A.D. 196 _____

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

11/24/63
4:15 p.m.

BEFORE ME,

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

Who, after being by me duly sworn, an oath deposes and says:

I was assigned at about 10:30 this morning to go down stairs to help guard the departure of Oswald. I was following a group of fifteen or twenty detectives, some standing in the doorway by the telephone booth directly across from the jail office windows. Capt. Gons was giving instructions to keep an aisle open from the jail office to the ramp. There was a lot of newsmen and cameramen moving in and out. I was flanked by Det. Chambers on my right and Detective Osborn and Archer on my left. At 11:25 a.m. when Capt. Fritz came out of the jail office followed by two detectives from his bureau who had Oswald between them. We started closing up the rear and there was the sound of a gunshot. I had momentarily lost sight of Oswald and the officers executing him because other detectives were closing in behind them. I did see a man holding a gun and directing firing at him attempting to break up the man from him and subdue him. I jumped toward the man trying to grab the gun but was blocked by other detectives. I didn't see where the man with the gun came from or see the shot fired.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____

A.D. 196

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

I should like to submit the following report concerning the events occurring on November 24, 1963.

About 10:30 a.m. on November 24, 1963, I was assigned to go downstairs to help guard the departure of Oswald. I was following a group of fifteen or twenty detectives. I was standing in the doorway by the telephone booths directly across from the jail office windows. Captain Jones was giving instructions to keep an aisle open from the jail office to the ramp. There were a lot of newsmen and cameramen moving in and out. I was flanked by Detective Chambers on my right and Detectives Dawson and Archer on my left.

About 11:25 a.m. when Captain Fritz came out of the jail office, he was followed by two detectives from his bureau who had Oswald between them. He started closing up the rear and there was the sound of a gunshot. I had momentarily lost sight of Oswald and the officers escorting him because other detectives were closing in behind them. I did see a man holding a gun and detectives diving at him attempting to wrest the gun from him and subdue him.

I jumped toward the man trying to grab the gun but was blocked out by other detectives. I didn't see where the man with the gun came from or see the shot fired.

Eight or ten detectives wrestled the man to the floor and I heard Captain Talbert yell to block off all exits and entrances to the basement. I went to the doors leading out of the basement by the information desk and wouldn't let anyone in or out.

I remained here until Captain Jones sent me to Parkland Hospital with a group of eight other detectives and Lieutenant McKinley to guard exits and entrances to the third floor where Oswald had been taken. I remained on this assignment until relieved at about 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Green

C. A. Green
Detective
Criminal Investigation Division

November 30, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
Interview of C. A. Greeson

Sir:

C. A. Greeson was interviewed by Lieutenant C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 2:50 pm on November 29, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by C. A. Greeson:

I have been asked if I know Jack Ruby. I believe I saw the person one time in 1957, I am not sure. I did not see this person in the City Hall prior to the shooting.

The first time I heard the man's name in the basement of the City Hall was when I overheard some detectives state that the person who shot Oswald was Jack Ruby. I have no idea how he got into the basement of City Hall.

I have been interviewed by Federal Bureau Investigation agent Scott.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

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L. C. Graves - Page 2 (Oswald's Murder)

arrival. Oswald was pronounced dead at 1:07 PM, November 24, 1963, by Dr. Tom Shiras, Parkland Staff. Detectives J. W. Leavelle, Burgess, and I, along with Dr. Pieberdorf, rode in the ambulance with Oswald to Parkland. At the hospital I changed into operating room clothing and accompanied Oswald to the Operating Room and stood guard until he was pronounced dead.

The pistol I took from Jack Ruby was turned over to Capt. Fritz at Parkland Hospital.

REPORT OF OFFICER'S DUTIES IN REGARDS TO OSWALD'S MUR

L. C. GRAVES - 3702

Sunday, November 24, 1963, was the day set for the transfer of Lee Harvey Oswald to the County Jail. The time set for the transfer was 9 AM. Shortly before 9:30 AM, J. R. Leavelle, C. M. Dhority, and I escorted Oswald down from the fifth floor jail for final questioning by Capt. Agente Corral and Kelly from the Secret Service. Others present at the questioning were Mr. Holmes from the U. S. Post Office Department, L. W. Montgomery, C. M. Dhority, J. R. Leavelle, and I. This was present only a few minutes at the beginning of the questioning and just prior to Oswald's removal to the basement. Before leaving the office with Oswald, Capt. Fritz instructed J. R. Leavelle to handcuff Oswald's left arm to the right arm of Oswald. I was to walk by Oswald's left side holding his left arm. Oswald's hands were handcuffed together in front of him. Det. Leavelle, Oswald, and I were escorted from this office via the jail elevator to the jail office by Capt. Fritz, Lt. Swain, and Det. Montgomery. At the jail office door that leads into the hall, we stood for a few seconds until Capt. Fritz and Lt. Swain made sure the hall was clear. We got the all clear sign and made our way through the hall to the edge of the room where we had paused momentarily awaiting the arrival of our car, when suddenly out of the surging line of camera men and flashing camera lights, Jack Ruby sprang forward and fired one round from a pistol into the stomach of Lee Harvey Oswald before I could grab his pistol and disarm him.

Oswald was immediately placed in an O'Neal ambulance and rushed to Parkland Hospital, where he underwent surgery within 10 minutes after he

December 4, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

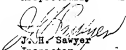
Re: Interview of Eva Grant by Mr. Joe Long of Radio Station KLIF

Sir:

The following is a taped interview with Eva Grant, sister of Jack Ruby. This interview was conducted by Mr. Joe Long of Radio Station KLIF on Sunday, November 24, 1963:

"I want it known by everyone that I do not blame the Dallas Police Department for what happened Sunday morning. Chief Curry and his men did not neglect their duty. I honestly believe my brother had got hold of a press pass which got him into the Police Department. This criticism of the Police Department is uncalled for and they must not be held in blame. My brother was grieving so, and I feel it got the best of him. I know; he was with me a great deal Friday and Saturday. He was very upset about the death of the President. When he came face to face with Oswald, he must have thought this man had done him some personal harm and I believe my brother became insane suddenly. Otherwise this never could have been done. Please, please, don't blame the Police Department."

Respectfully submitted,


J. H. Sawyer
Inspector
Dallas Police Department

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November 24, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Sir:

At the time Lee Harvey Oswald was shot, I was stationed by the double door leading from the jail lobby to our basement parking area, just opposite the door going into the jail booking office. I observed some members of the press standing opposite my position. They had been directed against the opposite wall, leaving a corridor between the group on my side and the group on that side.

As Captain Fritz, Detective Leavelle and Detective Graves emerged with the prisoner, a group of reporters fell in back of them as they walked. I overheard one of them ask, "What have you got to say now?". At this exact moment, I heard the shot. Due to the crowd having closed behind the men, I was unable to see anything. Immediately after the shot, so many officers grabbed the suspect and completely engulfed him that it was impossible to see who he was. Almost immediately, Lieutenant McKinney told me to go into the jail lobby and stop incoming people. I was assisted by Detective B. L. Beatty and two uniform officers, whose identity I cannot recall.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Cooley
C. Cooley
Detective, ID#1141
Juvenile Bureau
Criminal Investigation Division

November 30, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
C. Gooley

Sir:

C. Gooley was interviewed by Lieutenant E. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 10:25 am on November 30, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by C. Gooley:

I have been asked if I know Jack Ruby, and have been shown a picture of him. I do not know this man. I have no idea how he got into the basement of the City Hall.

Immediately after the shooting, I heard someone say it was Jack Ruby who did the shooting.

I have not been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

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of the jail and then to the basement giving us but a few feet to the car.

As we were leaving to go to the jail elevator, I told Det. T. L. Baker to call downstairs and tell them we were on the way down and have the car ready. Det. Baker called and Lt. Wiggins said all was clear.

Before taking the man out of the jail office I asked one of the uniform officers who was standing to my right if everything was secure. I believe that two officers answered me that everything was all right. I then advised the officers following me to come on, and at this moment Officer Dhority, who was driving the police car for the prisoner, was backing into position with the police car we were to put the prisoner in. As I reached for the car door and told the officer to put him in the car, I heard a shot. On my left I saw Officer Graves and a number of officers grab this man and pull him to the pavement. Det. Graves twisted the gun from his hand and handed it to me. The prisoner was carried into the jail office and a doctor was summoned and arrived almost immediately and went to work with the prisoner until an ambulance arrived. Some of the other officers took the man that I found was Jack Ruby up into the jail.

I instructed Officers Dhority, Leavelle and Graves to ride with the prisoner in the ambulance. Dets. E. R. Beck, L. D. Montgomery, C. W. Brown and myself followed the ambulance to the hospital, where security was kept until he was released to an undertaker.

Immediately after the shooting, I asked Detective Dhority to contact the captain of the Uniform Division to secure the names of all of the people in the basement at the time of the shooting.

J. W. Fritz

asked if I was ready to transfer the prisoner to the Dallas County Jail. James Bookhout, F. B. I. and possibly other officers, who were assisting in the investigation and questioning, were standing in or just outside my office door. I told him I was ready to start any time the security was completed. Chief Curry advised me that the large cameras had been moved away from the jail office and that everything was prepared and that the people had been moved back across Commerce and that some newsmen would be in the basement, but would be well back in the garage.

Someone had ordered an armored truck, and it was agreed that we let a police car lead the armored truck as if the prisoner was in it, and when he turned to the left off Commerce where he was to go to Elm and turn left, while we would actually have the prisoner in an unmarked police car and turn to the left on Main Street followed by another group of officers in another police car and take him to the County Jail.

Security had been set up, we were told, at the County Jail, and I instructed the officers in the car that did not have the prisoner to drive just past the back entrance to the County Jail, and we would drive in the passageway made for unloading prisoners where a steel door could be dropped down behind us.

Chief Curry then told me that he and Chief Stevenson, who was with him, would go on to the County Jail and meet us there.

I instructed James R. Leavelle to handcuff his left hand to the prisoner's right hand. The prisoner was already handcuffed. I instructed L. C. Graves to walk to his left and L. D. Montgomery directly behind him, and I told them that I would walk in front of the prisoner out of the door to the car. We decided that the best route would be through the jail and out of the left door

December 8, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

I wish to submit the following report relative to the transfer of Lee Oswald.

In the early afternoon of November 23, 1963 Chief Curry called me by telephone and asked me when we would be ready to transfer Oswald. Either this conversation or a later conversation I made some remark that I didn't know whether we were to transfer him or whether someone else was going to transfer him, and the Chief made some remark about talking to the Sheriff and that we were to transfer him. I told the Chief we were still talking to him, and he asked me if we could be ready to transfer him by 4:00 pm. I told him I didn't think we could finish our questioning by that time, and he asked me if we could be finished by 10:00 am the next morning. Chief Curry said, "I need to tell these people something definite." Who he was referring to I do not know. I told him I thought we could be ready by that time.

During the night or early morning hours of November 23, I received a telephone call from Captain W. B. Frazier, who told me that they were going to have to transfer Oswald as some threat had been received and that someone was going to try to kill him. I told Captain Frazier that no security had been set up for his transfer at that time and that he had better check with the Chief, as he was making some arrangements for the transfer. Later, Captain Frazier called me back and said that he was unable to reach the Chief and he was going to leave him where he was.

While interviewing Oswald on November 24 in conjunction with Harry D. Holmes, Post Office Inspector, Forrest Sorrells and Tom Kelly of the Secret Service, and in the presence of L. D. Montgomery, L. C. Graves, J. R. Leavelle and C. N. Dhority of the Homicide and Robbery Bureau, Chief Curry came to the office and

December 6, 1963

Mr. J.E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Threatening Call
Regarding Oswald

Sir:

At about 3:45 A.M. November 24, 1963 Mr. Newsome of the Federal Bureau of Investigation called this office and stated his office had received an anonymous call from a male individual indicating that a group was going to kill Oswald that day, that night or the following day. Caller stated that he did not want any officer hurt, that was the reason for the call, but they were going to kill Oswald and there was nothing anyone could do about it.

Subsequently about 5:00 A.M. or 5:30 A.M. I called Captain Fritz at home and related substance of the threatening call. Captain Fritz told me Chief Curry was handling the transfer of Oswald and suggested I call him.

Between 5:30 A.M. and 5:45 A.M. Deputy Cox or Coy, exact name unknown, of the Dallas Sheriff's Office called this office and stated that Sheriff Decker had instructed him to call the Dallas Police Department and request that Chief Curry call him about the transfer of Oswald. The Deputy Sheriff indicated Sheriff Decker wanted Oswald moved as soon as possible.

As I recall I had a second conversation with Captain Fritz regarding Decker wanting to move Oswald as soon as possible. Fritz stated that I should call Chief Curry.

About 6:00 A.M. I attempted to call Chief Curry at home. The telephone was busy, and after about fifteen minutes, I asked the operator to check the line for conversation. She reported trouble on the line.

By this time it was approximately 6:15 A.M., and Captain C.E. Talbert relieved me. I told Talbert of the threat, of the Deputy Sheriff's call, and my attempt to contact Chief Curry. Captain Talbert said he would send a squad by the residence of Chief Curry and have him call the office.

Respectfully submitted,

William B. Talbert

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment of Officer
Leon L. Fox, #1562
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, shortly after 9:00 A.M. I received an order to report to station 511. On my arrival I was told to stand by at this location for further instructions. At approximately 10:15 A.M., I was told, along with other officers, to report to the City Hall basement. These instructions were relayed to us by Patrolman L. C. Taylor. After we reported to the basement we were advised to bring our shot guns from our care for safe keeping. The care were parked on the street.

I was given a corner assignment by Sergeant P. T. Dean at Harwood and Elm Street and left the City Hall about 10:15 A.M. to report to this location. I stayed at this location until I heard over another officer's radio, stopped near my corner, that all officers working corner assignments were to report to Parkland Hospital. I then left my corner and reported to the entrance of Parkland Hospital, where I was given the assignment of checking identification of each person entering the hospital.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon L. Fox

Leon L. Fox
Patrolman, #1562
Patrol Division

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November 29, 1963

Statement of L. L. Fox:

I left the City Hall at 10:45 A. M. to work traffic at Harwood and Elm, and did not return to the City Hall.

I do not know Jack Ruby.

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

December 5, 1963

Re: Interview with Bob Finley - Dallas
Times Herald

Sir:

Mr. Finley was interviewed at approximately 4:45 p.m., December 4, 1963. Mr. Finley stated that he arrived at the City Hall November 24, 1963, at approximately 8:15 a.m. with his helper, Bob Jackson, and that his identification was actually not checked but he personally knew those officers when he entered.

Mr. Finley actually didn't take any pictures but was standing in the area where the cars would turn to go into the basement parking with Bob Jackson standing to his left.

Mr. Finley stated he did not know Jack Ruby and would have had a chance to at least see most of the people present before the shooting, but does not remember seeing this man there.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. McCaghren
F. J. McCaghren
Lieutenant, Burglary & Theft Bureau

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace
Lieutenant, Juvenile Bureau

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December 9, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Interview with Mr. Warren Ferguson
5406 Windawapt
Houston, Texas
Home Phone: MO5-6461
Business Phone: SU1-1141

Sir:

On December 5, 1963, Lieutenant F. I. Cornwall and Lieutenant Jack Revill interviewed Warren Ferguson in Houston, Texas, at the Houston Police Department.

Mr. Ferguson states that on Sunday, November 24, 1963, that he was working for ABC Television as a soundman for Mr. James R. Davidson, who is a cameraman for ABC. His assignment was to cover the transfer of Oswald from the City Jail to the County Jail. At about 8:30 a.m. Mr. Ferguson, along with the rest of the crew, went to the basement of the Police and Courts Building and into the Jail Office. They stayed inside the Jail Office until approximately 10:00 a.m. At that time an officer came into the room and stated that all persons except police officers would have to clear the area. Mr. Ferguson and his cameraman then moved into the hallway directly in front of the Jail Office so that they might get pictures of Lee Harvey Oswald through the Jail Office window. This location is in front of where you pay your fines inside of the double doors. They stayed at this location until Oswald was brought down on the elevator for the transfer.

When Oswald was brought down on the elevators and walked through the Jail Office into the basement, they stayed at this same location taking pictures, and as Oswald entered the basement from the Jail Office, their view was blocked by Oswald's escort and the double doors, and they were unable to get any pictures of the shooting.

Mr. Ferguson further stated that from the time when he first arrived at the Police and Courts Building, which was Friday afternoon, November 22, 1963, and until the time of the shooting, November 24, 1963, at no time did he ever see Jack Ruby.

The film that was shot during the incident of November 24, 1963, was sent to Mr. Jack Bush, News Director, American Broadcasting Company, 7 West 66th Street, New York 23, New York.

Mr. Ferguson further stated that he had been interviewed by an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau
D. P. ...

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

I am a Sergeant in the Dallas Police Reserve.

I reported in uniform to the City Hall on Sunday, November 24, at about 9:15 A. M. for duty. I was assigned by Lt. Ben McCoy to a station on Commerce Street across from the City Hall. This was to keep the crowd back from the entrance of the City Jail when Lee Harvey Oswald was transferred to the County Jail.

About 11:25, I saw several officers running down Commerce Street to the entrance of the building. One of the crowd (a man) had a small radio, I heard the announcer say that Lee Harvey Oswald had been shot. He did say who. Just a few minutes later an ambulance came out of the basement. I saw a man on the cot inside.

1. I did not see the shooting or hear a shot due to being outside.
2. I do not know the suspect Jack Ruby.
3. I do not know Lee Harvey Oswald.
4. I did not hear any noise in the basement.

Signed: *L. A. Mayo*

Sgt. L. A. Mayo
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December 3, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer
Sergeant R. L. Mayo - 862 ✓

Sir:

On December 1, 1963, Reserve Officer Sergeant R. L. Mayo was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald not covered in his original report dated November 26, 1963.

Sergeant Mayo stated that his duty assignment was on Commerce Street across from the City Hall. He stated that an unknown white male approximately 25 years of age attempted to enter the basement of the City Hall. This unknown male was wearing a white streamer on his lapel. This streamer had the words "White House Press". Sergeant Mayo stated that he attempted to refer this unknown to a regular police officer but this individual declined stating that he did not want to be a bother.

Sergeant Mayo further stated that this unknown individual disappeared shortly after the shooting of Oswald.

Sergeant Mayo does not know Jack Ruby nor has he been contacted by any Federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Revill
Jack Revill
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment Of Sergeant
Billy J. Maxey On ✓
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

At approximately 11:00 A.M., Sunday, November 24, 1963, I arrived at Central Station. I was working "16", Acting Lieutenant), Northeast Substation. The Patrol Officers were leaving for their traffic assignments, and there was a large group of reporters standing in the hall leading to the Jail Office.

I did not have an assignment at the time of my arrival and when Lieutenant Pierce came down and got into his car I asked him if I could help. Lieutenant Pierce advised me to ride with him and Sergeant Putnam to escort the Armored Car which had been backed partially onto the south ramp.

Lieutenant Pierce drove the car, I was sitting in the back seat, on the left side and Sergeant Putnam, after moving the crowd of reporters out of our path, got into the front seat on the right side. We traveled up the north ramp and made a left turn onto Main Street. Officer R. E. Vaughn was standing on our right side at the top of the ramp as we went out onto Main Street.

I did not see Jack Ruby or anyone else go down the ramp as we drove out. I know Jack Ruby by sight and I also did not see him in the basement while I was at that location.

We proceeded to the top of the south ramp via Main Street to Harwood Street to Commerce Street and took a position in front of the Armored Car.

Apparently the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald had just happened because I did not hear the shot and officers were rushing to cover the exits of the Police and Courts Building and the City Hall as we pulled into position.

After the shooting, Lieutenant Pierce, Sergeant Putnam, and I went to Parkland Hospital and set up security in the building and the Emergency Entrance Parking Lot.

Respectfully submitted,

Billy J. Maxey
Billy J. Maxey
Sergeant Of Police
Dallas, Texas

December 2, 1963

STATEMENT OF BULLY J. MAXEY:

I know Jack Ruby, but I did not see him in or near the City Hall prior to the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, I was stationed in the City Hall basement as security for the transfer of Oswald.

When he came out of the jail office I was standing about mid-way of the driveway going into the parking area. There was a police car between me and the jail office. I did not see anything but heard the shot that was fired. By the time I could get around to the jail, Oswald and Ruby had been pulled back into the jail office. Ruby was down with three or four officers holding him. Oswald was lying on the North side of the jail office on the floor. The doctor and ambulance arrived shortly after I got into the jail office.

I did know Jack Ruby but did not see him prior to this incident.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. Martin
F. M. Martin
Captain of Police
Juvenile Bureau

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December 1, 1963

STATEMENT OF CAPTAIN F. M. MARTIN:

I have covered everything of importance in my report.

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Traffic and Security Assignments
on Jail Transfer of Lee Oswald

Sir:

On November 24, 1963, the Solo Motorcycle Section detail, consisting of 10 officers, reported to Elm and Houston Streets at 8:30 A.M. By 9:00 A.M. this detail had been augmented by eleven Police Reserve officers. Supervisors present, were Captain P. M. Lawrence, Captain J. N. Colston, Lieutenant W. F. Southard, Sergeant S. Q. Bollah and myself. Shortly before the prisoner was to be transferred, Sergeant D. F. Steele reported to the location.

The west side of Houston was roped off between Elm and Main Streets. A large number of persons were congregated behind the ropes along Houston and on both sides of Elm Street between Houston and the Triple Underpass. I would estimate the total crowd to be between 500 and 600 persons.

The officers were assigned at Elm and Houston and two at Main and Houston. One officer was assigned at Elm and Record and one at Main and Record. Four patrolmen, seven Reserve officers and five supervisors, including Sgt. LF, were stationed at intervals along the west side of Houston between Elm and Main. Four Reserve officers were assigned along Elm Street between Houston and the Triple Underpass. All officers were instructed to keep a close watch on the crowd and to be particularly alert for any signs of violence.

When radio stations announced that the prisoner had been shot, most of the crowd dispersed and approximately one-half of the officers were reassigned to other locations.

Respectfully,



R. H. Landay
Deputy Chief of Police
Traffic Division

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December 12, 1963

Inspector J. H. Sawyer talked to Deputy Chief George L. Lumpkin and received the following statement:

"I went to the basement of the City Hall on November 24, 1963, to observe the transfer of Lee Harvey Oswald to the County Jail. I arrived about 3 minutes before they brought Lee Harvey Oswald out of the Jail Office.

I was standing on the flat part of the ramp near the right front fender of the car driven by Detective C. W. Dhority. This was on the West side of the car.

I did not know Jack Ruby and I did not see him in the basement. I did not see the shooting although I did hear the shot."


J. H. Sawyer
Inspector of Police

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three men pushing the camera. I looked to my left and saw NBC cameramen w/n/39. I could not see the faces of these three men because they stooped over with heads down, as they rolled past me, down a slight incline, the camera acted as if it wanted to tip over, and I steadied the camera with my left hand. They stopped at the bottom of the elevator ramp and I heard one of the men say "We can't get up here." They then moved through the line of newsmen on the east side of the ramp.

Two or three minutes later, I heard someone inside jail office say, "he comes." I looked to my left, toward the jail office door, and observed Lt. Swain appear through jail office door. Then approximately 10 to 12 feet behind Lt. Swain, Captain Fritz appeared. Then approximately 5 ft. behind Captain Fritz, I observed Detective Leavelle, who with Oswald handcuffed to Leavelle's left arm, I also noticed a detective on Oswald's left holding Oswald's arm, but didn't notice who the detective was at that time.

As Leavelle and his partner along with Oswald, appeared through the jail office door, the press personnel began to crowd forward, taking pictures and asking questions. "Did you shoot the President?" etc.

As Captain Fritz past me and as Leavelle, his partner, and Oswald approached my position, I saw a man lunge from the crowd of newsmen, opposite my position. As this man lunged forward extending his right arm, and firing almost simultaneously.

Oswald fell back a step and Leavelle, laid Oswald down on the floor. At the same instant the shot was fired, several officers, I know Cutcheneav and Harrison, subdued the man who fired the shot, and took the gun from him.

I recognized the man that fired the shot as Jack Ruby. I had not noticed Jack Ruby before he fired the shot. I do know Jack Ruby by sight and have never seen him in the City Hall.

I assisted several other officers take Jack Ruby into jail office, where he was searched. I did not help take him upstairs, but remained as security at the jail office door.

I have talked to Federal Bureau of Investigation Agent Bookout in regards to this incident.

Respectfully submitted,

P. C. McCaghron, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

December 1, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Interview of R. L. Lowery
Concerning Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

R. L. Lowery was interviewed by Lieutenants C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCaghren at 9:00 am on November 29, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. R. L. Lowery had this to add:

I would like to give in more detail a report of the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, approximately 9:00 am, Chief Stevenson came to the Juvenile Bureau and told all bureau personnel to stand by.

Approximately 11:05 am, November 24, Captain Martin told us to come with him. At that time, those present were: C. Gooley, W. J. Cutchshaw, W. J. Harrison, L. D. Miller, and myself. We went with Captain Martin to the elevator and went to the basement.

As we approached the information or pay office windows of the jail, I noticed Patrolman Nelson and he asked for identification from someone. There were other officers there in uniform, possibly reserves and I can't recall the names of any other officers there at the area of the jail office. Captain Jones met us at this point and told us to stand by for further instructions. Captain Jones went out through the double doors into ramp entrance and Captain Martin followed him.

A few minutes later Captain Jones returned and called for everyone's attention. He then told officers to take positions in the ramp area of the corridor. Also advised both officers and newsmen to take their position in the ramp area. We eased into ramp-area and I took up a position at the SW corner of the corridor and ramp drive way.

At this time several other officers took their positions on both sides of corridor from jail office door to ramp area.

I believe Captain Jones repeated his instructions to everyone, that he would like officers to form line on both sides of corridor, and also instructing news personnel where they should be. He told news people to get on east of ramp drive. From my position, because of the strong lights set up for the TV camera, I could not clearly see the position of all the other officers. Detective Combest was on my immediate left.

November 24, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Sir:

Approximately three to five minutes before the prisoner was brought out, I observed a Channel 5 Camera mounted on tripod rollers come through the door in front of the jail office to the ramp. I observed three men pushing the camera, one on each side and one man crouched down in rear head down as if pushing the camera. As the camera came down the slope from entrance to ramp, I grabbed one of the tripods to steady the camera. As the camera men pushed the camera into the ramp they turned slightly to the right, one attendant stated "We can't get out this way", they then pushed the camera into the crowd of newsmen on the East side of the ramp area and disappeared into the rear of the crowd. At this time I heard someone in the jail office door state, "Here he comes". As I looked towards the jail office door, I saw Lieutenant Swain come out. Approximately ten to fifteen feet behind Lieutenant Swain, Captain Fritz came out, only six to eight feet behind Captain Fritz, Detective J. R. Leaville leading Oswald (handcuffed) by the right arm. I could not identify the detective on Oswald's right. As both Leavilles, Oswald and unknown detective approached entrance to the basement ramp, I saw Jack Ruby lunge from the Northeast corner of the ramp area. I saw what looked like a blue steel snub nose revolver, almost simultaneously Ruby fired. Oswald let out a long "O-o-o-h". Several officers including myself attempted to grab the suspect. The suspect was then wrestled to the floor by several officers.

I know Jack Ruby and had not seen him in the crowd or building until I saw him lunge and fire at Oswald.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. Lowery
R. L. Lowery
Detective, ID#1081
Juvenile Bureau
Criminal Investigation Division

December 4, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Telephonic Interview of Joe Long
Radio Station KLIF on December 1, 1963

I contacted the subject on this date and he made arrangements to furnish this Department with a copy of the taped interview with Mrs. Eva Grant that was broadcast on Radio Station KLIF, Tuesday evening, November 26 and Wednesday, November 27. Mr. Long stated that the entire interview which took place in Mrs. Grant's apartment lasted for approximately 3½ hours. He said she would not allow a record of the entire interview but would allow a recording of a prepared speech which she read.

I questioned Mr. Long regarding the reason Mrs. Grant gave for believing her brother Jack Ruby had a press pass or identification card when he was in the City Hall prior to the shooting of Lee Oswald on Sunday, November 24, 1963. Mr. Long stated Mrs. Grant told him that she had attended the State Fair of Texas with her brother in October, 1963, and as they went in the gate Jack Ruby told her to purchase a ticket for her own admission and pointed out an "Operations" press pass on his windshield and said this pass would admit the car and he had his own individual pass to procure his own admission.

Mr. Long also stated that sometime after midnight Friday night, November 22, 1963, which would be in the early hours of Saturday morning, that Jack Ruby came to the KLIF Studios, Pearl Expressway and Jackson Street with sandwiches for some of the KLIF personnel.

Mr. Long was questioned further without obtaining more information that was considered pertinent but volunteered to be available at any future time that we might want to contact him.

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. Jones
O. A. Jones
Captain of Police

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November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Jack Ruby

Sir:

On October 24, 1963, I was stationed on the Jail Elevator, and was to operate it. I was assigned by Sgt. M.O. Rogers, as it was felt this would enhance security.

I had seen Jack Ruby around nine years ago, but I had never talked to him nor met him personally, while as an apprentice policeman, working the district that the Vegas Club was on.

I did not see Jack Ruby in the basement, and I probably would not have recognized him had I ^{seen} saw him.

I did not witness the shooting of Oswald, but I was standing by with the elevator in the Jail Office.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ C. G. Lewis /

C. G. Lewis, #1026
Patrolman
Dallas Police Department

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December 1, 1963

STATEMENT OF C. G. LEWIS:

I was on the Jail Elevator and did not see the shooting.

I met Jack Ruby several years ago, and would not recognize him if I saw him.

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then was given the all clear sign. We walked out and had just reached the ramp where the car we were to ride in was being backed into position by Detective Dhority when out of the mass of humanity composed of all the news media, which had surged forward to within six or seven feet of us, came the figure of a man with a gun in hand. He took two quick steps and double actioned a .38 revolver point blank at Oswald. I jerked back on Oswald, at the same time reaching out and catching Jack Ruby on the left shoulder, shoving back and down on him, bringing myself between Ruby and Oswald. I could see Det. Graves had Ruby's gun hand and gun in his hands. I turned my attention to Oswald and with the help of Det. Conbest we took Oswald back into the jail office and laid him down. Handcuffs were removed and the city hall doctor, Dr. Dieberdorf was summoned. We also called O'Neal ambulance. Oswald was placed in the ambulance and rushed to Parkland Hospital. In the ambulance besides the crew was Dr. Dieberdorf, Det. L. C. Graves, Det. C. H. Dhority and myself.

He was rushed to surgery where he expired at 1:07 pm, November 24, 1963, pronounced by Dr. Tom Chires. Judge Pierce McBride was summoned. I gave him all the information needed to request an autopsy. When all necessary reports were made, I returned to the city hall where I made the offense report on Lee Harvey Oswald.

REPORT ON OFFICER'S DUTY IN REGARDS TO OSWALD'S DEATH

J. R. L. AVELLE - 8736

I arrived Sunday morning, November 24, 1963 about 8:00 am. We word from Mr. Perry, Security Officer of the Statler-Hilton that they check in who said he represented a munition company out of California. the hotel in company with Det. C. H. Dherity and Mr. C. J. Brown. He with Robert W. Parker, 544 North Cypress, Orange, California. We satisfied ourselves he was O. K. and returned to the office.

At 9:30 am I was instructed, along with Det. L. C. Graves and Det. Dherity to go up in the jail and get Lee Oswald. I went to his cell and handcuff on him with his hands in front of him.

We returned to Captain Fritz's office where Captain Fritz, Mr. Tolson and Mr. Thomas Kelly of the Secret Service questioned Oswald. Also in were Detectives L. D. Montgomery, L. C. Graves, C. H. Dherity and Inspector Holmes of the Post Office Department and myself.

Shortly after 11:00 am we began the transfer. Chief Curry had called Captain Fritz's office. He had made a suggestion earlier to double cross press and take Oswald out on the first floor via the Main Street door, let the press waiting in the basement and on Commerce Street.

Also it was suggested to go out the Main Street ramp and west on Main. These suggestions were turned down by Chief Curry who stated that we had to go ahead with the transfer as planned, since he had given his word on it.

Approximately 11:15 am we left the third floor office with Oswald held to my left arm with Det. L. C. Graves holding to Oswald's left arm, preceded the jail elevator by Captain Fritz, Lt. Swain, Detective L. D. Montgomery. Reached the basement jail office with officers in front we headed to the ramp just outside the jail office door. We hesitated just inside the jail

December 9, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Interview with Mr. Fritz Kuler, of
KRLD-TV Station, and Viewing of
Video Tape (Oswald Shooting).

Sir:

Mr. Kuler, an official of KRLD-TV Station, was contacted by the Investigating Officers and stated that on Sunday morning, November 24, 1963, he was in the Control Room at KRLD-TV Station, and was watching everything that was being monitored at that time. He stated that the Video tape viewed by the Investigating Officers was a continuous tape. He also stated that the live portion started about the time that the Cameraman came from in front of the Jail Office windows into the basement ramp area just prior to Lieutenant R. E. Swain and Captain J. W. Fritz coming out of the Jail Office.

The Investigating Officers timed the video tape from the time Lieutenant R. S. Pierce's car left the basement and started out Main Street until the time the shot was fired. The time recorded on the video machine and checked twice was fifty-six (56) seconds.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. Wallace
E. C. Wallace
Lieutenant of Police
(Investigating Officer)
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren
Lieutenant of Police
(Investigating Officer)
Burglary & Theft Bureau

CCW/PGM/mav

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, at approximately 9:45 A. M., I arrived at the basement of the City Hall and reported to Captain Arnett. They had just completed searching the basement, I had no specific assignment. I was told to stand around and keep my eyes open, to let no-one in the part of the basement where the cars come and leave unless they had a Press Card.

I noted every car that came into the basement was thoroughly searched by the regular officers.

At different times I walked up both ramps to observe the crowds that were gathering, and talked to the officers standing at both entrances to the basement.

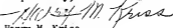
I was constantly bothered by reporters, asking questions and wanting information which I did not know.

I was told rumors were that there were several threats going around, and that was the reason for all the security.

Prior to Oswald's arrival from the Jail Office we were told to keep the Press against the railing and to keep one side clear, which we did. In a few minutes Oswald came out of the door and had just rounded the corner. I was looking at his face, and in just a fraction of a second later I saw a blur, my thoughts were that some reporter was attacking him (Oswald). I then heard a muffled shot, and heard someone say "get the Doctor." I saw Captain Arnett grappling in the crowd and ran to his aid, but saw he was O.K. Then, heard someone holler not to let anyone out, so I ran halfway up the North ramp and stood there. No-one passed.

I did not know the subject Ruby and had never seen him to the best of my knowledge.

Respectfully,


Harry M. Kriss
Lieutenant
Dallas Police Reserve

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Lieutenant Harry M. Kriss, 905

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Lieutenant Harry M. Kriss was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 26, 1963.

Kriss, stated, after reading his original report, that there was nothing of significance which he could add.

Lieutenant Kriss further states that at this time he has not been contacted by any federal agency.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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December 2, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Murder of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

The following information is submitted relevant to my activities in the basement of the Police and Courts Building immediately prior to, at the time of, and immediately following the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald by Jack Ruby, Alias Jack Leon Rubenstein.

At approximately 10:45 a.m. on November 24, I went to the basement of the Police and Courts Building because of the number of newsmen who were assembled at that location. The newsmen were there because of the impending transfer of Oswald from the City to the County Jail.

When I went into the parking area and driveway, a large number of newsmen were already there. I spoke briefly with Jack Beers, photographer for the Dallas Morning News who was, at that time, standing on the rail on the eastern side of the driveway. I stayed in the basement talking with newsmen and preventing them from going up the south ramp toward the location where the armored car was parked.

I talked briefly with Captain O. A. Jones, Captain C. E. Talbert and Captain Arnett of the Police Reserves.

When the vehicle, driven by Lieutenant R. S. Pierce, was driven from the basement to Main Street, I was on the west side of the driveway near where the ramp to Commerce Street starts up. I was at this location when the vehicle, driven by Detective C. N. Dhority, was backed toward Main Street and I was watching this vehicle when I heard the shot. I yelled for the officers on the Commerce Street side to keep people from coming in or leaving and then went over to where Ruby was being held. The persons I remember seeing with Ruby were Officer W. J. Harrison of the Juvenile Bureau and Detective D. R. Archer of the Auto Theft Bureau. I went with these officers inside the Jail Office with Ruby and then up the elevator to the 5th Floor where I left them and returned to the basement. When I returned to the basement, Oswald had already been picked up by the ambulance. I then returned to my office and talked with newsmen who continued to come into the Administrative Office inquiring about the incident which had occurred in the basement.

Respectfully submitted,


Glen D. King

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 8:30 A. M.
2. I reported to Lt. Merrell in Assembly Room.
3. I was assigned to the basement parking area about 9:00 A. M. to assist Sgt. Putnam search the area. I saw a rifle taken from a car I guess was a detective's car. About 10:00 A. M., an officer requested Sgt. Putnam to send me to Commerce and Pearl to control traffic because of a stuck signal light. About 10:30 I moved back in front of City Hall on Commerce and assisted with crowds and traffic after the shooting. Then back to assembly room.
4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are:
A. J. Capps, O. W. Harrison, Sgt. Putnam.
5. Did you know Ruby? Yes. I was with a squad several weeks ago that answered a call to a night club (don't recall location) regarding a drunk. We were unable to locate the subject and just as we were leaving the driveway a man was getting in a car and the officers paused long enough to say, "Hello, Jack", and told him they were looking for a drunk. The man called Jack said, "OH", "I took care of him." The officers said this was Jack Ruby.
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?

Never did see him, Sunday morning.

Signed:


J. Kasten

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Jerome Kasten, 333

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Jerome Kasten was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report, dated November 27, 1963.

Kasten stated, after reading his original report, that there was nothing of significance which he could add.

Kasten further stated that he has not been contacted by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME

Who, after being duly sworn, deposes and says that the within and foregoing is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:
"is terrible. She
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"is terrible. Should I close my places for three days." He appeared to be very upset. I told him I thought he should, but did not continue the conversation.

That was the only time I saw Jack P. [redacted] 22, 1963, until the [redacted] 24, 1963.

That was the only time I saw Jack Ruby during the period of Friday, November 22, 1963, until the moment of the shot in the basement on Sunday, November 24, 1963.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 14th DAY OF _____

Seth Kantor
December

A.D. 1965

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AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY-OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME, Francis Book

a Notary Public, in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Seth Kantor,

1013 13th Street N.W., Washington, D.C., DI7-7750

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

I work for the Scripps Howard Company in Washington, D.C.

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, I came down the elevator to the basement of the Police and Courts Building. I was double checked when I got out of the elevator in the basement. I was still wearing a paper badge on my lapel and I showed my Washington press I.D. to a uniformed officer and he still would not allow me to pass until he called another officer, whom I believe was a plain clothes officer, and he allowed me to go on into the basement area past the corridor that is in front of the windows to the jail office.

I went on into the jail office outside of the admitting desks and remained there by the east wall until approximately four minutes prior to the shooting when officers came in the jail office and had us move out across to the east side of the ramp. Bob Fenley and I remained beside the post at the north end of the exit that is between the ramp and the basement parking area.

I do know Jack Ruby. I did not see Jack Ruby in the basement of the City Hall until Oswald came out of the jail office. I heard someone say, "Here he comes," then, while looking intently at Oswald, I did see an arm with a hand holding a gun come into view. I heard an officer shout, "Jack, you S.O.B.," just immediately before the shot. I did not see Ruby well enough to know whom the officers had arrested until I was told it was Jack Ruby. This information was given to Bob Fenley by some detective who appeared to be weeping. I saw Ruby's hat on the floor of the basement. I knew Ruby fairly well when I worked with the Times Herald and I remember at Parkland Hospital on Friday he came up behind me and pulled the back of my coat tail. I turned around and he called me by my name and we shook hands. This was just before 1:30 p.m. Ruby said, "This

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 24th DAY OF December A.D. 1963

Francis Book
Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas
FRANCIS BOOK

December 1, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Interview with Wilford Ray Jones o/m
Concerning Slaying of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

This subject was interviewed at the V. A. Hospital this date by Lts. P. G. McCaghren and P. I. Cornwall. Subject's home address is 4311 Willow Springs, telephone HA 8 3374.

Jones stated on the date of the slaying, he had approached the City Hall on Main Street and walked to the Main Street ramp and borrowed a cigarette from Officer Vaughn. He related he saw no other subject that he was acquainted with near the ramp entrance at that time. Jones then walked to the Commerce Street side of the City Hall, across the street from where the armored car was parked. He remained at this location approximately 15 minutes. After the shot was fired, Jones then ran from the location to a near by parking lot. He stayed in this position approximately 15 minutes and returned to the Main Street basement entrance. It was then that Jones saw N. J. Daniels. At this time there were several reporters on the scene interviewing Attorney Tom Howard. Jones recalled Howard stating that he was enroute to his home when he heard on the radio that Ruby shot Oswald.

We were not able to ascertain that Jones saw anyone entering the basement of the City Hall at the time he had approached Vaughn for a cigarette.

Respectfully submitted,

P. G. McCaghren
P. G. McCaghren, Lieutenant
Burglary & Theft Bureau

P. I. Cornwall
P. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

all officers near the jail office and at the doors to allow no one in the area from the jail to the cars and on down the route the prisoner would take, and that the press would not be allowed to approach or even to attempt to converse with the prisoner, and that no one was to follow until after the cars left the basement.

I was about midway between the corner of the jail office and the back of the car on the ramp, when someone shouted "here he comes!". I was on the east side of the ramp at this time. I turned to walk to the car on the ramp to make sure the way was clear and that officers were stationed on each side of the cars and all the way down the east side of the ramp to the cars. I saw officers along the route and officers on each side of the ramp near the cars and at the top of the ramp. I also saw Chief Stevenson on the ramp, so I turned to watch the parking area in the basement of the City Hall, when I heard a shot. This was sometime shortly before noon, but I don't remember the exact time. I turned toward the sound of the shot which had come from my left and to my rear. I shouted to the officers to bar all exits and all ramps. I saw the officers closing the exits and went toward the scuffle where apparently officers had a man in custody. As I approached the center of the scuffle several voices said "It was Jack Ruby". I do not know who said this, but as the prisoner was on his feet by this time I could see he was Jack Ruby, whom I had known 10 or 12 years before as the owner of the Silver Spur, a night club on South Ervay. I told the officers to take him to the jail and then had other officers assist Lt. Swain in keeping the crowd in the designated area. I assisted in this measure until after the ambulance left with Oswald and I then returned to the third floor after instructing the officers on the doors to let only persons with identification come to the third floor. After returning to the third floor, I assisted in the administration offices.

I had not seen a man that I recognized as Jack Ruby in the City Hall during the period of the investigation, until after the shooting in the basement.

Respectfully,

O.A. Jones
O.A. JONES,
Captain of Police
Forgery Bureau

November 26, 1963

Mr. J.E. Curry,
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee Oswald


Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963, at around 11AM, Deputy Chief Stevenson approached me in the administration offices and directed me to place two officers at the Commerce Street entrance to the ramp leading into the basement of the City Hall. He said to instruct these two officers that an armored truck was enroute and for them to assist the truck back as far as possible down the ramp into the City Hall. He also told me to take any remaining detectives that were available on the third floor to the basement and place them any place they were needed in the basement to supplement the officers already stationed. Most of the detectives had previously been sent to the basement. I entered each of the bureaus except Homicide and Robbery and told the duty officer to have any available officers to report outside the jail office and went to the basement. Two or three detectives accompanied me and remained near the jail office. I went to the head of the ramp on Commerce Street and informed Patrolman Jez and one other patrolman to remain there and keep the way clear and to assist the armored truck in backing into the City Hall. I informed Captain Talbert of these instructions.

I then returned to near the jail office and stationed some of the detectives at the doors leading into the building proper, and noticed the Press Media was inside the jail office, but outside the admitting desk. I saw Assistant Chief Batchelor and Deputy Chief Stevenson and called Chief Batchelor's attention to the people in the jail office. I accompanied him inside and upon his instructions this area was cleared. Upon leaving the jail office we also had all persons except security personnel moved north of a line running east from the brick corner of the jail office to the railing on the opposite side and on a line from this point running east to the exit lanes for cars from the basement to the ramp itself.

Deputy Chief Stevenson then approached and said there had been a change in plans and, as the truck could not get into the City Hall, they were going to use two cars. At this time two police cars were started and brought up onto the ramp. Several officers had to move to allow the cars to get onto the ramp. I had given instructions to (cont'd)

December 1, 196

STATEMENT OF CAPTAIN O. A. JONES: 

I can add nothing of any value that is not covered in the report.

December 9, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Telephone Interview with UPI Office,
New York City, New York.

Sir:

At approximately 3:50 p.m., December 5, 1963, I contacted Mr. Harold Blumenfeld, Picture Editor, United Press International, New York City, New York, Telephone NU2-0400, by long distance telephone and asked that he send us all of the still shots that their UPI Office had of the Oswald shooting. He told me that they would probably have approximately six (6) still shots and that he would send them to the Dallas Police Department as soon as possible via Air Mail.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace
Lieutenant of Police
Juvenile Bureau

CCW:mav

December 9, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Interview with Mr. Frank B. Johnston
3011 Whitis Avenue
Apartment 205
Austin, Texas
Cameraman for U.P.I.

Sir:

On December 5, 1963, Lieutenant F. I. Cornwall and Lieutenant Jack Revell interviewed Mr. Frank B. Johnston at his residence in Austin, Texas regarding his assignment in the basement of the City Hall on November 24, 1963. Mr. Johnston stated that he is employed by U.P.I. as a still cameraman and is assigned to the Austin, Texas, office. He was called to Dallas to cover the assassination of President Kennedy.

He states that on November 24, 1963, he arrived in the basement of the Police and Courts Building at approximately 4:30 a.m. He stated that he had moved around in the basement and in the Police and Courts Building awaiting the transfer of Oswald and that he was checked numerous times for his press identification. At approximately 11:00 a.m. he was standing by the concrete post in the basement just south of the television camera operated by WJAP-Channel 5. He further stated just as they were bringing Oswald out of the Jail Office that an automobile started backing in the basement area and that he looked to observe where this automobile was going and just at that time Ruby rushed forward and shot Oswald. Due to this distraction of the moving automobile, he did not get a picture of the incident nor did he observe Ruby shoot Oswald. He did state further, however, that he had taken pictures during his assignment in the basement and they were all sent to Mr. Harold Blumenfeld, Picture editor U.P.I., New York City.

At the time of this interview, Mr. Johnston had been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall

F. I. Cornwall
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau

Jack Revell

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November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment Of Officer
L. E. Jez #1479 On
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

At approximately 9:00 A.M., Sunday, November 24, 1963 I was relieved of my post on the Third Floor of the City Hall by Sergeant Putnam. I went to the basement of the City Hall where I reported to Sergeant Dean. I was assigned to the City Hall Doctor's Office and the two adjacent doors, one of which was the annex stairway door. I then stood by the stairway door until Sergeant Putnam and Sergeant Dean arrived in the basement with several Reserve Police Officers at which time another officer was assigned to this position and I helped search the basement for unauthorized personnel. This assignment was completed at approximately 9:25 A.M.

I was then assigned to Sergeant Steele and we went across Commerce Street to search the buildings lining the south side of the street. This assignment was completed at approximately 9:55 A.M. After this, I was posted at the Commerce Street exit ramp of the City Hall Basement. I remained at this post and allowed only properly identified press and police personnel to enter. At approximately 11:00 A.M. two armored cars arrived at the ramp exit and my assignment was to assist those trucks backing into the ramp.

I then went to the intersection of Commerce and Harwood to stop the flow of traffic until the armored trucks and escort cars could leave the City Hall. I worked traffic until approximately 12:30 P.M. when I returned to the exit ramp.

I was relieved by Sergeant Dean at approximately 1:00 P.M. at which time I went to the Patrol Office (Station 511).

Respectfully submitted,


L. E. Jez
#1479
Patrol Division

LEJ/ab

November 30, 1963

STATEMENT OF PATROLMAN L. E. JEZ:

I left the Commerce Street ramp entrance of the City Hall to work traffic at Commerce and Harwood at approximately 11:00 A.M., and did not return to the basement prior to the shooting.

I met Jack Ruby about three years ago, and know him when I see him. I did not see Ruby in or near the City Hall prior to the shooting. The last time I saw him was at the Carousel Club about a month ago.

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

December 5, 1963

Re: Interview with Robert Jackson
Dallas Times Herald
4030 Sperry
TA 4-7840

Sir:

Mr. Jackson was interviewed at approximately 5:00 p.m. on December 4, 1963. Mr. Jackson arrived at the City Hall with Bob Finley. He took no pictures before the shooting; he took 1 picture about the instant of the shooting and 2 pictures later - one showing Oswald being placed in the ambulance. These pictures are not available at this time and are in New York and will probably be available sometime tomorrow.

Robert Jackson stated he had seen Jack Ruby at one occasion at the photo-laboratory, Times Herald, and thinks he would have recognized him if he had seen him in the basement of the City Hall. Mr. Jackson was standing near the automobile that was headed out the Commerce Street exit.

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. McCaffren
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Lieutenant, Burglary & Theft Bureau

C. C. Wallace
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Lieutenant, Juvenile Bureau

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November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

At approximately 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, November 24, 1963, I was standing in the basement of the City Hall with Detective B. H. Combest #1148 and Detective B. L. Scaty #637. We were standing next to a regular Police Officer and a reserve Police Officer who were checking the press for their press cards as they came through. Captain O. A. Jones came up and said he wanted all detectives and plain-clothes officers to go to the outside jail entrance, and to form a line on each side of the hallway leading from the jail office. Our instructions were to keep the hallway clear all the way to the armored car, which was half way down the ramp of the Commerce Street exit.

My position was directly across from the jail office entrance door. As Lee Harvey Oswald was brought from the jail office by Homicide Detectives he passed by in front of me. When he turned the corner at the end of the hallway he was shot. I did not see the actual shooting, but when I heard the shot I rushed forward as Officers were subduing Jack Ruby.

Other Officers I saw at the scene were:

Chief Chas. Batchelor
Chief M.W. Stevenson
Captain C.E. Talbert #463
Lt. W.L. Wiggins #434
Sgt. J.A. Putnam, #904

Sgt. P.T. Dean #882
Det. R.C. Wagner #1480
Det. J.K. Ramsey #1627
Det. L.D. Miller #1236

I did not see any unauthorized persons in the basement area. The only persons I saw were Police Officers and people who I believed to be of the News media.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry D. Hutchinson #1778
Patrolman
Special Service Bureau
Vice Section

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November 29, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Dear Sir:

Re: Interview of Patrolman
Jerry D. Hutchinson, 1778

On November 29, 1963 Patrolman J.D. Hutchinson was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 27, 1963.

Patrolman Hutchinson stated, after reading his original report, that the only addition he could make is that from approximately 11:00 a.m. when he was assigned his duty just outside the jail office door until the time Lee Harvey Oswald was shot no one entered the basement from the Police and Records Building who was not authorized.

Hutchinson further stated that he knows Jack Ruby and that he did not gain entrance to the basement through these double doors from 11:00 a.m. until the time of the shooting.

Patrolman Hutchinson states that he has not been contacted by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 7:50 A. M.
2. I reported to Assembly Room.
3. I was assigned to ----- I was in a group of approximately ten reserves that was taken to the basement parking area to assist in searching the place.

About 10:00 or 10:30 A. M., I was taken along with another group of reserves to the Elm-Houston area to assist in the handling the crowd there.

4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are:
Capt. Arnett, Lt. Merrell and several others that I do not know by name.
5. Did you know Ruby? No.
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?
Never did see him.

Signed: J. C. Hunt

J. C. Hunt

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November 29, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

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Special Service Bureau

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Signed: J. C. Hunt

J. C. Hunt

RJ

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Jessie C. Hunt, 229

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Jessie C. Hunt was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 27, 1963.

Hunt stated, after reading his original report, that there was nothing of significance which he could add.

Hunt further stated that he has not been contacted by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. Cornwall
F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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Patrolman R. E. Vaughn of the Dallas police department was standing the the doorway of the north auto entrance to police headquarters. Jack Ruby, Harvey Oswald's assailant, apparently entered through this entrance and down the auto ramp according to police. Vaughn said he had been on duty at the entrance for two and a half hours prior to the shooting. He said no one was admitted but police officers and press representatives. Everyone who was admitted was required to show identification. Vaughn said that police paddy wagons were searched before they were allowed to enter the building. "I heard someone say here he comes and then the shot. I saw three police officers wrestling for the gun. In Everyone in the building had been screened closely. There were officers on the elevators and at all entrances. Everyone, including police and press had to show identification. A man would have to be very foolish to do something like this," Vaughn said.

P.T. DEAN

Dallas police sergeant at the scene of shooting said, 'Ruby immediately after the shooting he related that he to West a Union where he sent a money order to Ft. Worth said Ruby told police that the main reason he did it was sympathy for Jackie Kennedy and the dead police officer he didn't want Mrs. Kennedy to have to come back to Dallas through the ordeal of a trial. Ruby told police he had a because he often carried large sums of money with him at Ruby said, "I just didn't want Jackie to be subjected to I don't want to be a dead hero., but I didn't want her to go through the long due process of law, although I believe Dean said that he knew Ruby, but had no other comment on acquaintance. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Ruby ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ said of him his arrest that he was very sentimental. He had closed his the last three days. He also said he was not a political

Dallas police sergeant P. T. Dean was standing by the armored car which was to have taken Harvey Oswald to the county jail when he was shoot. Dean said he heard someone shout "they are bringing him out." "I focused my attention on the door where they were bringing him out. I didn't see the gun, but I heard the shot and saw the smoke from the gun. Police officers surrounding Oswald prevented me from seeing much else. Jack Ruby, Oswald's assassin, came from the north entrance (Main St. auto entrance) down the ramp. There were many police officers and press representatives in the area. Ruby jumped out from the crowd as Oswald passed and fired one shot point blank at Oswald. Following the shot I ran from the armored car to the spot of the shooting to assist in the arrest. When I got there officers had Ruby on the ground and were handcuffing him. I went then to Oswald. He was lying on the ground, unconscious and gasping for breath - a bullet hole in his ^{lower} left side. Officers removed Ruby and Oswald was put in an ambulance, still unconscious, and taken to Parkland hospital. (Oswald was taken to emergency room 2, next to

December 11, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Interview of Mr. David Hughes

Sir:

On December 11, 1963, Lieutenant Jack Revill and Lieutenant P. I. Cornwell interviewed Mr. David Hughes of 2948 Binkley, Apartment 3, ZIP-2951. Mr. Hughes is employed as a reporter by the Dallas Times Herald.

Mr. Hughes stated that he was at home on November 24, 1963, when Lee Harvey Oswald was shot by Jack Ruby; that he was viewing television and saw the shooting on television; that he immediately dressed and reported to the Times Herald City Desk for assignment. He was subsequently assigned to the City Hall and arrived there at approximately 12:15 p.m.

Mr. Hughes stated that he was instructed to interview both police officers and other persons to get their reactions to the shooting of Oswald.

Mr. Hughes stated that he interviewed Sergeant P. T. Dean and Patrolman R. E. Vaughn shortly after arriving at the City Hall. Mr. Hughes stated that Sergeant Dean was explicitly precise in what he said; that Sergeant Dean related that Jack Ruby came from the Main Street entrance ramp. Sgt. Dean did not state that he had observed Ruby come down the ramp.

A copy of Mr. Hughes original notes pertaining to the interview with Sergeant Dean are attached to this report.

Mr. Hughes stated that Patrolman Vaughn related that Ruby apparently gained access to the City Hall basement via the Main Street ramp. Mr. Vaughn stated that he did not see Ruby pass by his duty assignment.

A copy of Mr. Hughes original notes pertaining to the interview with Patrolman Vaughn are attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

P. I. Cornwell
P. I. Cornwell, Lieutenant

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

December 9, 1963

Re: Interview of Robert S. Huffaker, Jr.
4700 East Side Avenue - Apartment 115
TA 3-7269

Sir:

On December 4, 1963, Lieutenant Jack Revill and Lieutenant F. I. Cornwall interviewed Robert S. Huffaker, Jr. at Ft. Hood, Texas. Mr. Huffaker is presently serving 2 weeks active duty with the U. S. Army.

Mr. Huffaker stated that he is employed by Radio Station KMLD-TV and was on duty as a newsmen in the basement of the City Hall on November 24, 1963. He stated he was operating a live microphone for both radio and TV and was stationed at the foot of the Main Street ramp of the City Hall basement. He stated to the best of his knowledge he was standing next to the railing and was to the immediate left of Police Officer W. J. Harrison.

Huffaker stated that he did not see the actual shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald as he was watching the police vehicle being backed toward his location. He stated that he was conscious of a movement to his immediate right and then heard a pistol shot. He further stated that he could not tell who shot Oswald. He first observed Jack Ruby after he had been apprehended by police officers.

Mr. Huffaker stated that he was working with the following named personnel from Station KMLD, James English, Bob Kinkle and George Phamix. These 3 individuals were also in the basement of the City Hall at the time of the Oswald shooting.

Mr. Huffaker stated that he was compelled to present his press credentials prior to gaining access to the basement and that he observed numerous members of the news media showing their press credentials before entering the basement.

Mr. Huffaker stated that he did not know Jack Ruby and that he has been interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Revill
Jack Revill
Lieutenant, Special Service Bureau

F. I. Cornwall

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4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recall are:

Sgt. Mayo, I. W., Patrolman Chennault, J. R., and Patrolman Craig, A. B.

5. Did you know Ruby? No.

6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?

Signed: 

J. R. Hopkins

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. M. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 9:30 A. M.
2. I reported to Capt. Arnett.
3. I arrived at the City Hall about 9:30 A. M., Sunday morning. I am in the Assembly Room about 9:40 A. M. and reported to Capt. Arnett had just checked in when Sgt. Dean, Dallas Police Department, came asked all Reserve Officers to help search the parking area in the of the City Hall. I personally searched all air conditioning duct heating ducts, above all pipes that run just under the ceiling in basement. I also checked the open space under north ramp. I saw several cars. They all belonged to the City of Dallas.

I reported to Capt. Arnett, Police Reserve, and Sgt. Dean, Dallas Department, where I had searched and found clear. I was ordered to by for further assignment. At approximately 10:10 A. M., I was ordered by Lt. Ben McCoy to check the condition on Commerce Street in regard number of Police Reserves to handle sightseers and traffic. I remained on Commerce Street as the Reserve Supervisor in charge of the Reserve Officers on Commerce Street, 2000 block.

At approximately 11:00, Police Chief Batchelor's car was brought to the basement to the officer double parked just east of ramp exit. I was told by the officer that this was the Chief's car, that he lost keys in it and wanted me to keep an eye on it. I placed a Reserve Officer to work traffic around it. I was told a few minutes later by Chief Batchelor that an armored truck was on the way to the City Hall. I said the truck would have to back down the exit ramp. I was asked to assist the armored truck to back down ramp. The truck arrived, the Reserve Officers and myself worked traffic to help truck driver back down ramp. A second armored truck was parked just ahead of the first car. I was working Commerce Street when the shot was fired in the basement. A detective came running out of the basement and said that the doors leading into City Hall. I had one man on Commerce Street two men on Harwood Street door, one man on Main Street door.

These were my movements from 9:35 A. M. to 11:45 A. M., Sunday morning November 24, 1963.

Signed: J. M. Hopkins

J. M. Hopkins
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November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

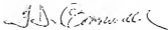
Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Sergeant Jimmy R. Hopkins, 855

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Sergeant Jimmy R. Hopkins was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald not covered in his original report dated November 26, 1963.

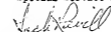
After having read his original report, Hopkins stated that he could not add anything of significance to this first report.

Hopkins further stated that he has not been contacted by any federal agency.

Respectfully submitted,



F. I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau



Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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November 29, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Security Transfer of Prisoner

Sir:

Our Reserve Officer, H. B. Holly, Jr. No. 710 C I, 3429 Antilles, Mesquite, informed me this date that he was working Sunday, November 24, at City Hall approximately ten minutes after the shooting of Oswald, and then he was sent to Parkland. While at Parkland, he engaged in conversation with another Reserve Officer whose name is unknown to him.

This Reserve Officer told Mr. Holly that prior to the shooting, he either observed, or himself admitted Jack Ruby to the basement. That Mr. Ruby was wearing a press identification card on his jacket.

Mr. Holly states he could recognize this Reserve Officer if he could see him again. He also states that there was a roster that he himself was on this work roster.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Eberhardt
A. M. Eberhardt, 1267
Detective
Burglary and Theft Bureau

AME/pst

December 1, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Harold B. Holly Jr., 325 ✓

On December 1, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Harold B. Holly Jr. was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald. Holly had not submitted a report prior to the interview with these officers.

Patrolman Holly stated that he reported to the City Hall at approximately 11:30 a.m. on November 24, 1963. He was assigned to work traffic at the intersection of Main and Harwood Streets. At approximately 11:45 a.m. he was assigned to Parkland Hospital to assist in the handling of traffic at that location.

While there, Holly stated that an unknown reserve police officer related to him that he, the unknown reserve officer, had passed Jack Ruby into the basement of the City Hall after Ruby had presented press credentials. ✓

Holly was shown photographs of several reserve officers by Captain J. M. Solomon and was unable to identify this unknown reserve officer.

Captain Solomon advised the undersigned officers to be skeptical of this information and not to place too much credence in it. ✓

Holly stated that he was not familiar with Jack Ruby and had not seen him on the date of Oswald's shooting. At this time Holly has not been contacted by any federal agency.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Criminal Investigation Division

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November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment of Officer
U. E. Hibbs #825
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

On November 24, 1963 at approximately 9 A.M., I was given a call to report to 511. I arrived at the Patrol office and remained in the Sergeant's room. About 10:15 A.M. we were instructed to report to the basement. After arriving in the basement Sgt. Dean told me to get my shot gun from my car and return to the basement. When I returned, I was told to place the shot gun in a squad car.

While I was waiting for further instructions I observed Sgt. Putnam looking in a Detective's car and then stop the Police Pattie Wagon as it came into the basement. He looked in the front and then opened the rear doors and looked in.

Sgt. Putnam then directed Officer Tolbert and myself to take a position at the bottom of the North ramp, and check all cars or trucks entering the basement. While we were there, approximately 20 or 30 minutes, no vehicles or persons came down the ramp.

Sgt. Putnam then directed us to come to a spot in the parking area of the basement. We were assigned traffic corners. I reported to my corner, Akard and Elm, and there remained about 20 minutes when a passer-by informed me that Oswald had been shot. About this time I heard several sirens. I went to my squad car and asked the dispatcher if there were any instructions for the men working Elm Street. I was directed to remain on my corner till otherwise informed.

In a very short time squads from the other corners began to come South on Elm Street, Code 3. One of them stopped and told me we were to report to Parkland Code 3.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Hibbs

W. E. Hibbs
Patrolman #825
Patrol Division

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November 29, 1963

STATEMENT OF OFFICER W. E. HIBBS

I left the City Hall at 11:00 a.m. to work traffic at Akard and Elm Streets and did not return to the City Hall prior to the shooting.

I do not know Jack Ruby.

November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Officer Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 9:00 A. M.
2. I reported to Lt. Merrell in Assembly room.
3. I was in a group of five Reserves assigned to assist in the Houston-Elm area. While we were waiting for transportation (30 or 40 minutes) in the basement parking area, I assisted in holding and placing the TV Camera cables that were being set up. We were taken to the Houston-Elm area by a police squad.
4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are: --
L. R. Bridges, T. D. Clinkscales.
5. Did you know Ruby? No.
6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?
Never did see him.

Signed: _____

H. H. Hatley
H. H. Hatley

December 16, 1963

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6. Did you grab at Jack Ruby about the time of the shooting?
Answer: Yes Indication: True
7. Did you speak to Jack Ruby that day before the shooting?
Answer: No Indication: True

All of the above questions were repeated during this examination with the same answers given and same indications noted.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul L. Bentley
Paul L. Bentley
Detective of Police
Identification Bureau

FLB/mel

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December 16, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Polygraph examination given to
William J. Harrison.

Sir:

At 4:25 P.M., December 13, 1963, a polygraph examination was given to Mr. William J. Harrison.

This examination was given to determine if Mr. Harrison was telling the truth in the statement he had given. Also to determine if he saw Ruby come into the basement of the City Hall prior to the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

During the pre-test interview with Mr. Harrison, he stated that he was not sure that he saw the Police squad actually make a left turn on Main Street. He also stated that he did not recognize Jack Ruby until the time the shot was fired.

The examination indicated that Mr. Harrison did not see Jack Ruby about the time the shot was fired.

The following is a list of the pertinent questions asked and answers given.

1. Did you actually see Jack Ruby enter the basement of the City Hall?
Answer: No Indication: True
2. Did you recognize this man to be Jack Ruby at the time of the shooting?
Answer: Yes Indication: True
3. Did you see Jack Ruby that day before he brushed beside you?
Answer: No Indication: True
4. Did you see Jack Ruby come down the Main Street ramp just before the shooting?
Answer: No Indication: True
5. Did you see Jack Ruby anywhere in the basement of the City Hall before the shooting?
Answer: No Indication: True

December 7, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Second Interview of
Officer W. J. Harrison

This interview was on December 1, 1963. Further information obtained from Officer Harrison during this interview brought out other information that we considered to be important.

He stated he could not remember exactly where any of the officers were that were standing near him. He remembers 2 automobiles going out the Main Street ramp and believes that the last automobile to leave the basement was occupied by Lieutenant Pierce and other officers. He said the auto stopped at the Main Street entrance and stayed there a very short time. He said he glanced up the ramp several times and was looking toward the Main Street ramp when Lieutenant Pierce's auto made a left turn into Main Street. He also said he did not observe anyone coming down the ramp on Main Street.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace
Lieutenant, Juvenile Bureau

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November 30, 1963

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Re: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald
Interview of W. J. Harrison ✓

Sir:

W. J. Harrison was interviewed by Lieutenant C. C. Wallace and P. G. McCachren at 12 noon on November 29, 1963. The interview was essentially the same as his original report dated November 27, 1963. The following was added by W. J. Harrison:

I was assigned to the basement of the City Hall by Captain Martin. I was there approximately 10 minutes before the prisoner Oswald was brought out onto the ramp. Prior to that I took up a post between the west wall of the drive way and the ramp. As I recall, the television lights were to my left and there was a reporter with a mike, who is shown in the picture of the shooting, standing to my right. As Oswald and the escorts came out on the ramp, Jack Ruby, who I have known for several years lunged past me on my left side and was pulling his gun at the time. I immediately recognized him and shouted, "Jack." I tried to grab him as he passed me.

Ruby was not in the crowd prior to this time.

As the shooting was over, I held Ruby down while another officer cornered him. I believe this man was Captain King. I recall Ruby saying, "You all knew me, I'm Jack Ruby." One officer asked him why he did it, and he answered, "I hope I killed the S. O. B."

Ruby was taken to the jail office and then placed on the jail elevator which was run by Officer Lewis. Captain King, myself, and another officer, I do not recall who, took the prisoner to the 5th floor. I recall Ruby stating on the elevator, "Do you think I'm going to let the man who shot our President get away with it?"

I have previously talked to the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wallace
C. C. Wallace, Lieutenant
Juvenile Bureau

P. G. McCachren
P. G. McCachren

November 24, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Sir:

I was standing about half-way between the West wall of the driveway and the rail. As the detectives brought the prisoner out, Jack Ruby came by me from my left side with the gun in his hand. As he came by me the gun was about a foot from me in Jack's right hand. As he shot I made a move to get him and went to the floor with him as there were about six (6) of us on him at one time. I tried to grab the hand that held the pistol and the pistol was knocked out of Jack's hand after we were on the floor. I remember Detective Cutchew and Lowery being on him as well as other officers. I could not say where he (Jack) came from. All I know is that he came from the rear and left of us.

After we took him in the Jail Office and was putting the handcuffs on him, he (Jack) said, "I hope I killed the S. O. B.". That is all he said until I left him on the fifth floor jail with some of the detectives.

Respectfully submitted,



W. J. Harrison
Patrolman, ID#579
Juvenile Bureau
Criminal Investigation Division

STATEMENT OF PATROLMAN W. J. HARRISON:

About seven or eight minutes before the shooting, I assisted a patrolman driving a squad car to go out the Main Street Ramp because the Commerce Street Ramp was blocked.

About four or five minutes after this, Lt. Pierce drove a squad car out the Main Street Ramp. I assisted him in getting through the crowd. This was about two or four minutes before the shooting.

November 30, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Re: Interview of Reserve Officer,
Patrolman Oliver W. Harrison, 423

On November 30, 1963 Reserve Officer, Patrolman Oliver W. Harrison was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald which was not covered in his original report dated November 27, 1963.

Patrolman Harrison stated that the only discrepancy in his original report is that he was assigned to the Municipal Building and not to the Police and Records Building as his original report stated. As this first report was given by telephone, Harrison feels that he was probably misunderstood by the person taking the report.

Harrison further states that he has not been contacted by any federal agency at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

F.I. Cornwall
F.I. Cornwall, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

Jack Revill
Jack Revill, Lieutenant
Special Service Bureau

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November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

This is a statement of facts relating to my activity as a Reserve Of Sunday, November 24, 1963, to the best of my knowledge and recollect

1. Approximate time I reported to duty. 10:00 A. M.
2. I reported to Lt. Merrell in Assembly Room.
3. I was assigned -----

Shortly after I arrived I was assigned to the sidewalk on the south side of the City Hall near the ramp exit. Some regular officers were guarding the ramp exit. After a few minutes a man who I recognized to be a detective asked me to see that the glass doors at the top of the steps of the police and courts building were kept closed and no one to leave or enter. I remained in this position for about 30 minutes after the shooting.

4. Names of other officers in the same area that I can recollect are: Nos. Lt. Suits, Montgomery, A. W. Capps, and several I do not know names of.

5. Did you know Ruby? No.

6. When and under what circumstance did you see Ruby?
Never did see him.

Signed *O. W. Harrison*
O. W. Harrison